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BY RICHARD W. THOMPSON

It is not strange that in a population so varied and so heterogenous as Washington that there should be CLASSES. There are classes, circles and cliques without number, and then, further, sub-divisions of these same wings of society. The wheel-within-a-wheel" idea is repeated to infinitly, and the social devotee who can follow the labyrinth without being engulfed in hopeless confusion, deserves to be canonized as a saint—or set to ferreting out the mysteries of the income tax. He can move without question right up to the head of the "smart set."

It is an open secret that anyone who starts out to discuss society, is treading on dangerous ground—he practically takes his life in his hand. Society is a delicate, sensative organization, controlled by an unwritten code of laws as inscrutable as the currents of the air, and embody a system of ethics which recognize no dispute. The customs of SOCIETY are as inexorable as Fate. To unveil its mysteries to the public gaze and to charge in the remotest way, that the whole fabric is an organized pretense, abounding in sham, shallow hypocrisy, veneered vanity and cleverly-cloaked vice, is to be put at once upon the rack for the rankest hearesy, and pilloried upon the forum of fashionable contempt. Bearing these facts in mind, I shall handle this subject with gloves of the softest texture, and dare to venture into this charmad arena only upon the tip-toes of my velvet "Trilbys."

"BEST SOCIETY" A VAGUE AND MISLEADING TERM.

To say who constitute the best society is to immediately raise the question of standards of judgement. There is nothing more exasperating to settle, and nothing more misleading after it is apparently settled, than this problem of who are properly "the first circle." In a provincial town, where numbers are few and lines of demarkation strongly drawn for obvious and natural reasons, the solution is easy; but in a large, cosmopolitan city, where differences in wealth, education, culture, family prestige, accomplishments, occupation, style of living, locality and home invironments, association, personal habits and tastes, general reputation, political affiliation and other interests all weigh in the scale, and that scale graduated by no finite method, it is exceedingly difficult to fix the status of any considerable number of people and give satisfaction to them and everybody else.

This problem in Washington is well down the center of the stage, filling a star part in the realistic drama of caste, for in no other American city are interests so varied, a colored population so large, and possessing so wide a diversity of personal characteristics. Let it be said to the everlasting credit of the sensible people of this grand city, that they have practically solved the puzzle in the only legitimate way—by "giving it up." There is no coronetted 400 here. There are no Ward McAllisters nor regularly constituted society leaders. The lash of no individual magnate is either obeyed or tolerated. The perplexities of "who is best" is left to take care of itself, or to vex only the empty-headed imbeciles, who cannot trust themselves to float under a system where only the fittest survive. In other words, while social lines are tightly drawn, they are

CAST UPON SUCH NATURAL LAWS

That neither tension nor friction is felt as to which circle shall win the plaudits of the rabble for the very doubtful designations of the only genuine, Simon Pure, brand-blown-in-the-bottle 400. There are multitudes of circles, each limited to a chosen few, who are drawn together, instinctively upon the very sensible basis of mutual congeniality, sympathy, interests, tastes and inclinations. These broad generalizations cover a great deal of ground, but they mean that men and women of brains and culture recognize the free-masonry of their order, and associate together because it is the most natural, agreeable and profitable thing to do. Individuals, having a central purpose, naturally enjoy themselves best with those of a similar bent of mind, for permanent association, although members of such move in as many circles as the character of their mood may change—assuming, of course, that the individual is acceptable on the general lines of character, education, occupation and is properly introduced. This latter requirement is the wall that marks the boundary of the circle. Some one within the sacred portals must bring in, and, in a sense, vouch for the new comer's availability. No thoughtful or considerate man or woman would introduce into polite society any person whom he or she has reason to believe would prove uncongenial or unfit—according to that unexplainable, yet rigid code, to which I have previously referred. A stranger, depending upon his own resources for admission, would remain unnoticed many months, if not "cracked" by some one who has the entree to one or more sets. By this system people enjoy that rare American privilege of knowing whom they wish to know and ignoring those in whom they recognize no affinity.

SOCIETY'S MINIATURE WORLD.

There are hundreds of estimable people of equal social standing, who never know one another—not because of any personal antipathy on either side, but because no occasion has arisen for a departure from the routine habits which has kept each within his own little world. If a plenitude of amusement and social entertainment can be found in one's own crowd, why, they pertinently ask, should they go into another? Large numbers of all classes, circles and cliques attend the great concerts and musicales given frequently at the churches and other public places, but as these affairs involve no social intercourse beyond one's immediate party, they have no bearing upon the functional ethics of society. The public ball is rarely patronized by any element of the elite. They have a clientage of their own, marked by social distinctions of an unmistakable character. Socials are given by members of churches at their homes, to which an admission fee is usually charged, and any person of respectable appearance may attend; but, as these are recognized as semi-business or charitable institutions, the passing acquaintances "scraped up" there does not act as an "open sesame" to the sacred precincts of their home, nor entitle the charity patron to continue social acknowledgement, unless the proper formalities are engineered by a mutual friend. To ignore this code is to invite what is known variously as the "marble heart," the "icy stare," or the "frozen hand." There are few large social functions—that is of a kind, where waves are felt from the center to the circumference of society—as is so common in minor cities. Most of the "soirees" are attended by individual sets or clubs, with a few strands of fringe from adjoining circles, and rarely embrace more than a double parlor full. These are of frequent occurence, taking the form of dance, musicale or card party, and in many cases are informal and impromptu, being projected, perhaps, only a few hours in advance.

I have spoken here chiefly of the sub-divisions existing among the class commonly denominated the aristocracy—that is, the people of average intelligence, some money or good positions, who live in respectable style in respectable localities, and who keep themselves in touch with the progressive spirit of the community. Again I may say, there are others—many others, but as they do not differ materially from the same elements in other cities, a detailed account is not necessary. One point may be noted here in this connection, is the uncomplaining acceptance of social distinctions on the basis of condition by the restricted classes themselves. Servants and those employed in menial capacities do not expect recognition among the office-holding, professional or monied classes. Society distributes and adjusts itself along these lines by common consent, with little expressed rivalry or apparent friction.

FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE ELITE.

All of the "better class, of course, are not rich. Far from it—in fact, it is a struggle with most to keep up appearances and make both ends meet. There are numerous expenses to be met in homes on fashionable streets, with all the modern interior and exterior improvements, to which the denizens of the courts, alleys and cheap tenements are not subject, to say nothing of the tremendous social demands in keeping with such an establishment. Consequently, many artifices and subterfuges, not to say diplomacy, are necessary to keep in the "push." As cottages and small houses are as scarce as hen's teeth in desirable localities, the custom of families uniting and dividing the expenses of a commodious residence is very popular. The other general method is to let out the surplus space, and thus cut down the rent to a reasonable figure. This is practiced so universally that no one considers it of questionable propriety to take in a few boarders or lodgers, although care is observed as to the kind of patrons admitted.

Notwithstanding a vast array of tinsel and cheap imitation, just as exists among the elite of the favored race, there is much that is genuine and meritorious. No city in the Union boasts of more elegantly furnished homes than Washington, and none can justly claim more entertaining, accomplished, and tastefully attired ladies. The quiet air of elegance and refinement, which pervades the fashionable residence sections, and the high degree of culture expressed in the interior decorations and methods of living, indelibly stamp the Washingtonian civilization as one of the very first rank in the land.

POSSESSORS OF THIS WORLD'S GOODS.

In actual figures, it is probable that this city outranks all others in the matter of aggregate wealth in the possession of Afro-Americans, although many show more individual property-holders, in proportion to population. The four sub-division of the muncipality are almost as widely separated in make-up, associations and interests as so many different cities. Northwest Washington is heralded as the distinctively fashionable section and the majority of the leaders inhabit its sacred precincts, but, by a queer paradox, the people of South Washington control more business enterprises and a larger per cent own their homes than is found elsewhere, as well as maintaining a more exclusively separate existence.

The colored people's property holdings are estimated in the neighborhood of $11,000,000 According to Mr. Hillyer there are sixteen families who live in residences valued above $10,000; 100 in homes valued at $5,000; 1000 above $4,000, while the total number owning homes exceeds 3,000.

A few of the leading colored men whose names are accepted without question on bonds and whose signatures converts a check into unchallengable legal tender are conservatively rated as follows: John F. Cook, $200,000; the undivided Douglass estate, $150,000; B. K. Bruce, $150,000; W. H. A. Wormley, $115,000; John R. Lynch, $80,000; L. C. Bailey $70 000; P. B. S. Pinchback, $90,000; Dr. C. B. Purvis, $75,000; Dr. F. J. Shadd, $40,000; John M. Langston, $60,000; Dr. D. H. Williams, $50,000; J. T. Bradford $65,000; Dr. J. R. Francis, $35,000; A. F. Hillper, $25,000; J. H. Merriweather, $60,000; G. F. T. Cook, $50,000; Daniel Murray, $60,000.

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REV. J. M. CONNOR, S. T. D.,

Pastor Visitors' Chapel, Hot Springs, Ark.; Theological Examiner Payne Theological Seminary, Wilberforce, O.; President College of [illegible] Springs, a new school that is now doing much good in the uplifting of the Negro youth of Hot Springs and surrounding country.

"Open Trial by Jury."

Paducah, Ky., Special.

The "Open Trial by Jury" was presented on June 6th. The following is the cast: "Learned Judge" L. W. Walker, "Counsel" Wm. Hynes, "Usher" Louis Proctor, "Defendant" Wm. Powell, "Bride" and "Plaintiff," Miss Lulu Davis; "Jurymen," G. Morrow, C. Shannon, E. Grundy, F. Walker; "Bridesmaids," Misses Ophelia Brown, Mamie Dorsey, Allie Robinson, Clara Logan, Emma West, Mattie Malone, Fannie Egester; "Six Little Papooses," by Mahala Bradshaw, Myra Rucker, Mamie Jones, Gertie Dawson, Bertha Egester. Mamie Machum in drills and marches, introducing Ophelia Brown as the "Indian Queen" made a big hit. They have their own special scenery and will add two new plays to their repertoire. Alvin Logan is musical director and M. Bradshaw business manager. The Paducah base ball club arrived home from Henderson on the 5th. Miss Georgia L. Dooley has returned from St. Louis where she has been attending school. The excursion to Cairo last Sunday was fairly attended. Elijah Reaves has been granted a divorce from Mattie Reaves. Mrs. Rosa Christy is building a nice residence in the north end near Rolandtown. The Masonic lodges of the city will visit Metropolis, Ill., on the 23rd inst. Now is the time to renew your subscription for The Freeman.

Children's Day.

Leadville, Col., Special.

John Hedspath has returned from Texas. The concert at the A. M. E. church on the 21st was a success. Mrs. Banks of Leavenworth, Kan., is in the city, the guest of Mrs. D. L. Robinson, 618 Pine street. Presiding Elder D. A. Hubbard was in the city on the 21st a guest of Elder J. H. Bohanan. Children's Day was appropriately observed June 9th at the A. M. E. church. H. Smith stepped on a piece of glass in jumping out of bed Sunday night. He came near bleeding to death. M. E. Robinson has returned from a hunting trip in the mountains. Married on May 4th, at the M E. parsonage by the Rev. Mr. Jeffrey, Miss Ollie Lucas to Mr. Turner. The newly wedded couple is at home to their friends at the residence of H. Smith 611 Spruce street. Mr. Edwards of the City of Mexico is in the city. L. D. Copeland is sick. Mrs. M. E. Lee and her daughter, Mrs. A. J. Young were called to Denver last week to attend the funeral of their aunt which took place in that city on the 3rd. Wm. Carr of Mexico City is sight-seeing in this the greatest mining camp on earth.

Open Letter No. 10.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

The closing sentences of No. 8 read thus: "I speak with the warrant of an ethnologist, embryo it may be, and with the authority of an educated physician and surgeon. Whoever possesses neither of these qualifications has no right whatever to question what I say." The article in your last issue, under caption: A Pessimist Scored," from a literary standpoint is quite creditable. It is sadly lacking in the essential elements of relevance and logic. On the point in controversy the writer agrees with me, leaving no room for argument, nothing to offer in rebuttal. In forming an estimate of Negro capabilities I am as charitable and generous as any man living. I am greatly surprised that the brilliant quill-driver capable of writing such erudite, scholarly and logical editorials as appear weekly in The Freeman should fall into the unpardonable error of letting loose a terrific charge of grape and canister at an imaginary foe. If not more careful hereafter he will create the impression that he is troubled with paroscyamal attacks of mental strabismus.

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Commencement Day.

Cedartown, Ga., Special.

The closeing of Prof. P. E. Hall's school took place on last Monday night, June 3rd, at the Baugh Opera House. Homer Sprattling, age 13 years, recited a speech by Daniel Webster; "An Appeal to Arms," was his subject. He spoke well. Willie Featherton, Luther Sprattling, Asa Southerland, Henrietta Richardson, Zemma Sprattling, Jesse Hughes and many others did well. The dialogues were acted principally by small children from six to ten years. The drill was well performed. The band played Dixie-land well. Thomas Foster and L E. Hall, Jr., recited poetry. Henderson Sprattling and Charlie Plaine graduated with honors. They made good speeches. Henderson's "The Vistage of Life;" Sprattling's, "Importance of Good Character." Zemma Sprattling won first prize and Thomas Foster second. The prizes were very costly. Hon. H. C. Bunn (white) made a good speech. He is president of the board of education; he issued the diplomas. Prof. F. M. Gordon, of Cave Springs, gave the audience a fine address, Rev. J. E. McClain did well, also Thomas Henderson.

Attended Commencement.

Winchester, Ark., Special.

On the 23rd a heavy rain fell which was very beneficial to the crops. Wm. Harris attended commencement exercises at Tougaloo University, Miss., and reports a grand time, Four graduates from the Normal department, one from the Musical department. C. C. Cockerham, of Summit, Miss., arrived recently and will teach at Selma. E. M. Harness and George McFarland took their departure on the 22nd. The Biblical Institute held at Morning Star church, conducted by Rev. Wiggins, the district missionary, was a success. Our public school will open on the 17th. Miss Eliza Robinzine A. B. teacher.

HENDERSON'S SECOND SLATE

Mere Sentiment in the Election Of General Officers

Condemned—Dr. Smith no Longer Fills The Bill—Editor of the Recorder—Dr. T. W. Henderson Named.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

In matters of worship one should follow sentiment rather than opinion, but in the business side of church life, opinion should outweigh mere sentiment. It is a mere sentiment which dictates that a general officer who is defeated in his race for the Bishopric should be returned to his old nest. Cool, business judgement would simply rank him with all other aspirants and make a choice on the ground of fitness. It is a mere sentiment (and a very narrow one too) which would dictate that the section from which he hails should determine a man's choice. Also it is a mere sentiment which would, other things being equal, discriminate between youth and age. It only requires a little discriminating thought to discern what is merely sentimental and what is clearly rational. When it comes to the question of the union of the A. M. E. and the A. M. E. Z. churches sentiment should be considered, and sentiment is considered. Patriotism is a sentiment. African Methodism as represented by the followers of Allen is a sentiment, and that too, one of the noblest and most manly.

The election of Dr. Smith to his old place by acclamation before the ballots were counted was an act of sentiment of the purile sort. It is true that Dr. Smith has done a very great work. No man in the A. M. E. church has done a greater. Because of his good work he should be held in honor, but the department which he has built up belongs to the church, and no sentiment of gratitude should lead us to neglect the welfare of that department. If Dr. Smith can no longer do the best service there, he should be displaced by a man who can—that is business. A great many of us are convinced that Dr. Smith no longer meets the requirements as fully as they could be by other available men. This opinion is becoming so general that it is quite likely a change will be made. In view of this fact it is now time to begin considering candidates who will be pushed by their friends. I wish to offer for consideration the name of Rev. A. L. Gaines of Norfolk, Va. I have never by voice nor pen, directly or indirectly communicated with him on the matter, and don't know if he would be willing to accept the great task, but I am confident that he is capable and trustworthy. Also I would submit the name of Rev. W. D. Cook of Philadelphia, of whom exactly the same can be said. Again I would name the Rev. R. M. Cheek of Atlanta, Ga., and repeat concerning him the same remarks. Either of these three are men whose characters, attainments and achievements warrant the opinion advanced.

There is another office concerning which much foolish sentiment has been indulged and that is the office of the Secretary of Education. In the first place, the conflicting provisions of the discipline rob it of all scope for work. In the second place, Dr. W. D. Johnson, though a splendid man, is totally unfit for that particular office. In manner, appearance, conduct and general manifestations, he illustrates nothing that would induce people to give largely to support schools. For years he has simply been a hugh joke at a cost of $1,300 per year.

He was once elected because he cried, and probably has since been re-elected for fear he would cry if defeated. Laying aside mere sentiment and looking at the matter from a business standpoint, it is clear that the office should be abolished or else be given more scope, and filled with a well fitted man. If anyone knows a better fitted man than Prof. John R. Hawkins, let him speak.

In selection of men for the Recorder and Review, sentiment has given place largely to business judgement, but that judgement may not have been of the best. When we see that The Freeman, on its own hook entirely, has worked up to a circulation of over 15,000, and that the Christian Recorder has less that 6,000, it makes us think that something is wrong somewhere. Dr. Embry is a good man and would make a first class Bishop, but he is not suited to the task of developing the Publishing department. The Freeman, Age, etc., are $1 a year part of the time; the Recorder never caters to popular prices. It costs the church $5,000 a year for salaries to run the Recorder and the Review, and has cost several thousand dollars out of the general fund to save the property and make needed improvements. Under present conditions the Publishing house could not hope to survive another year of financial depression. Dr. Embry works, and works hard and faithfully, but his ideas and methods don't fit the needs.

A man of new type and fresh spirit is needed as business manager, and Dr. Embry is needed on the Bishops' bench. The office of editor of the Review was created to meet a special condition which no longer exists, and there is no reason why the Review and the Recorder should not be edited by the same man. The Review could be made just what was originally contemplated. It should not be in any sense divorced from the Recorder, but should simply represent a higher phase of the same work.

Should the able editors now there be sent higher, there are several men who could take the place, under proper conditions, and do great work. Rev. R. M. Cheeks as business manager, and Dr. Thomas W. Henderson, of Indianapolis, as editor, would make an invincible team. Rev. C. P. Preston and Rev. J. P. Sampson would make another. The above article is simply intended to provoke thought.

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Baby Found in a Well—Received Endowments—Rally Day.

Poplar Bluff, Mo , Special.

B. T. Carruthers of St. Louis, Mo., the Grand Chancellor of the Order of K. P's., was in the city Sunday June 2nd, and gave orders for two endowments of $300 each. H. M. Favell, D. D. G. C. received an order for $300 for the death of his father, and Mrs. Melvina Redmond $300 for the death of her son. Sunday June 2nd was rally day at Brown's Chapel A. M. E. church, at which $42.10 was contributed. Mr. Bell who left the city sometime ago for Springfield, Ill., returned on the 3rd and was arrested on the 6th for disebeyance of porter ordinance. Mr. Bouden died on the 3rd inst. A grand procession of the K. of P's. attended the funeral. Mrs. Mary Craine is sick. Dr. G. A. W. Johnson of Maryland, formerly pastor of Little Rock Ark., First Baptist church arrived in the city on the 5th and preached at Pleasant Hill Baptist church. John Bostic arrived from Piedmont June 3rd. Miss Hattie Hall and Miss Mollie Redmond left the city on the 4th, and H. M. Favell left on the 7th for Charleston, to attend the Institute. Dr. Holsen was in the city on the 6th. The Mosiac Society initiated six members on the 5th. A young baby weighing ten pounds was found drowned in a well near the residence of Mrs. Hart on the 5th. Richard Phillips left on the 6th for Prizepoint, Miss., to visit relatives. Miss Georgia Harvey returned to the city on the 5th.

ELECTION OF SECRET ORDER OFFICERS.

Western Light Lodge No. 3568 of the G. U. O. of O. F. elected the following on Tuesday night June 4th: Peter F. Martin, re-elected E. S.; N. E. Powers, V. G ; H. D. Russell, N. G.; J. H. Roberson, P. N. G.; Edw. Hainline, L. S. to N. G.; Wm. Carpenter, R. S. to V. G.; Robt. Anderson L. S. to V. G. Edw. Myers, Inside Guardian; George McDowel, Warden.

Flora Lodge No. 15 K. of P. elected officers June 6th for remaining term ending December 31st '95. Officers as follows: H. M. Favell C C.; W. H. Lee, V. C.; Lewis Wyatt, Prelate; Frank Jordan M. of E ; A. H. Buliner, M. of F.; D. J. Townsend K. of R. & S.; Hence Whirley, M. at A. Installation will be held June 29th at Ferguson Hall. H. M. Favell, C. C.; D. J. Townsend, K. of R. & S.

A Grand Excursion.

Monroe, La , Special.

J. Bradford, of Monticello, Ark., passed through the city. James Calderwood returned home on the 3rd from New Orleans University, in company with P. A. Cook and Miss Mattie Creasey. Mr. Brannon will reman in the Crescent city. Browder Johns returned on the 31st. Mr. Andrews took a flying trip to Calhoun. W. Casen and B. Johns left for Union this week. Miss O. B. Taylor has gone to New Orleans. Rev. H. R. Flynn, pastor of Zion Hill Baptist church, and wife, of Shreveport, are in the city. R. W. Eaton leaves for St. James, this Parish, on the 9th where he will open school on the 17th. Pelican Home Lodge, No. 3515, of the G. U. O. of O. F. will run an excursion to Crew lake on the 4th of July. Calvin Nelson will deliver an address on the growth of the order. Committee on arrangements are J. W. King, Tom Gray and S. D. Hill.

A Barbecue.

Pellonia, Ill., Special.

Rev. J. H. Smith visited his church in the "Bottom" Sunday. Mrs. Smith and Miss Rutha Reed are visiting in Metropolis. Miss Elnora Montague, of Paducah, Ky., is visiting Mrs. Annie Daugherty. Elder Stewart preached Friday night at the A. M. E. church. Link Mosby died on the 31, inst. A committee consisting of Prof. Clark, Nettie Jennings, Ethel Moody, Pauline Marable and James White brought the Sunday school over on the 8th and spent a pleasant day. The infant granddaughter of Daniel Young died on the 9th. Rev. J P. Jones held services at his church Sunday. Several persons from Wagnersville visited Metropolis recently. The pastor and members of the F. W. B. church will have a barbecue here to-day, removing to the church at night. A few persons went to Cairo on the excursion Sunday.

The "Closeing."

Dyersburg, Tenn., Special.

The closeing exercises of the colored public school was held at the opera house Thursday night, June 6th. The program was excellent and a large audience was present.

PROGRAM.

Solo, J. N. Parr and Miss Fredonia Haskins; Address, "Spirit of the American Revolution," Miss L. J. Miller; Solo, by the Misses Miller's; Farewell Address, Miss Allie C. Oldham. T. C. Gordon, County Superintendant, made some remarks about the success of the colored people within thirty years. The graduates were Miss Allie C. Oldham, Miss H. E. Flye, Miss J. Wilson.

A Grand Rally.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Special.

May 26th was rally day at Stewarts Chapel A. M. E. Church. The house was crowded to its uttermost. Rev G. W. Mitchell preached at 11 a. m., at 3 p. m., Rev. James Banks preached. The Willing Workers made their report. Sister Ella Turks is a grand worker for the church, also Sister Sarah Brown, Sister Creasy Lee, Sister Mary Venson, Sister Amanda Lomac, Miss Julia A. Turkes, Sister Mary Lee, Miss Paralee Givens, Miss Cornelia Pennington, Miss Silvia Jones and Miss Surena Hayes. Miss Amanda Ward is much better.

A Commission From the Ranks,

OR THE COLONEL'S DAUGHTER.

A STORY FOR AFRO-AMERICAN YOUTH.

By Presly Holliday, Troop, "B" 10th U. S. Cavalry.

CHAPTER VI.

Time had passed along as usual at Fort Sydney just the same as at any other Western frontier post. The daily routine of stable duty, fatigue duty, drill, guard mounting, and so-forth was varied by a full dress parade, a regimental inspection, a post-hunting party, detached service and many other things that help to drive the monotony from a soldier's life. Rumors of a foreign war, strikes which newspapers declared threatened to plunge the country into civil war, all came to quicken the pulse and raise the spirits of the more ambitious but less humane soldier who longed for a clash of arms to show his heroism, his bravery, his patriotism in order to gain the much wished-for shoulder straps.

The trial officer was seldom idle and almost every day some culprit was marched up before him to hear read charges preferred against him for "conduct prejudicial to good order and military discipline," and as the charges set forth that he said this and that "or words to that effect," all "on or about," a certain date, the poor devil to whose ill luck it fell to hear such charges read against him was never sure of getting off without a fine or a number of days in the guard-house, as the accusers in such cases are nearly always men that rank the accused, and rank in the army has great influence upon truth and testimony. Our young soldier could not escape the inevitable court-martial, but was always lucky enough to escape without conviction. Unknown to him I took precaution at all times to inform Miss Mason in advance.

His unsought popularity had caused him to be hated by a great many officers and he well knew it and the way he did stir his little boat to run clear of them was well worthy of him. He had been promoted to a corporalship on recommendation of his troop commander and his chances of running amuck with officers was thus doubled. The spring, summer and autumn had passed away, and winter had now set in. About 9 o'clock one cold morning he and I were seated in his room talking over the trials he was experiencing in trying to get a commission.

"Yes," he began, "Tom I never intend to play at another officer's house as long as I am an enlisted man; I intend to break off from that girl; she is partly the cause of all my troubles."

"Very well," said I, "do what you think best."

At my suggestion we got our skates and went skating. We had been enjoying ourselves on the ice quite a while when we decided to go farther down the river. I remained behind to examine some tracks that I found in the snow and he had gone far ahead. I turned my attention from the tracks and was watching Freebold. He was about two hundred yards ahead of me, describing graceful curves and almost perfect circles and writing his name in the ice. I could only admire him—he looked so graceful. I was following him up slowly, thinking of what he had said about "breaking off from that girl," believing that it must be done at a great sacrifice for I still thought he loved her.

Suddenly turning a sharp bend in the river we came upon a nnmber of officers and ladies of the post composing a skating party. Freebold was skating gracefully past, when suddenly the screams of a lady and cries of "help!" were heard, and looking forward the fast disappearing body of a lady was seen in the water beyond. She was seen by Freebold and a number of officers at the same time and they were rapidly making their way to where she fell. It was Miss Mason. Unknown to her the ice had been cut about fifty yards from where the party was held, and there was only a fraction of an inch of ice on it which had just been frozen the night before, and she had skated over it.

The officers and Freebold reached the spot about the same time. Quickly divesting himself of blouse, cap and furs, and with a giant's strength tearing the shoes from his feet, he sprang into the water and struck out for the fast disappearing girl. Heroicly beating back the cakes of ice, now sinking, now rising, chilled to the marrow, but not feeling it, he reached the drowning girl just as she was sinking for the last time, and made for the bank where strong arms were reached to grasp her. I was on hand just in time to pull him out, for the officers, overjoyed at the rescue of the girl had turned their backs upon the rescuer. Although there were twelve officers present not one had cared to jump into the water to save her. The girl was taken to the house near by where under the ministering hands of the ladies she was soon resuscitated, and dry clothes being provided she was borne to post in one of the vehicles at hand. Thus summarily abandoned, my charge was worked upon by myself, but seeing my efforts availed nothing, I hastily summoned aid and Freebold was taken to the hospital.

Of course there was rejoicing when it became known that Miss Mason had been, with so much risk saved from a watery grave. The colonel, forgetting his hatred for the race to which his daughter's rescuer belonged—for it was this gentleman when a major and commanding officer at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., who ordered the detailing of a permanent orderly from among the white soldiers, because, as he said, he could never get any sense out of a colored orderly, could never get him to understand an order—had all the assistance rendered him that human aid could give. Having been in a high state of excitement, when warmed by the exercises he had just been taking, he plunged into the ice cold water, and having worked so fearfully to prevent himself from being overcome by the ice, and this together with the exposure he suffered, having been abandoned by the crowd when he most needed their assistance, was too much for his iron constitution, and the post surgeon pronounced his case as being well nigh hopeless.

No wonder then, that Miss Mason was nearly heart-broken when she heard this piece of news. Without awaiting the advice of anyone she, womanlike, took up her abode at his bedside as his nurse, and for two weeks there she remained, assisted in her watching by other ladies of the post. It was indeed a pitable sight to see this young woman nursing Freebold as though he were a baby. Under no consideration would she leave his bedside only for short intervals until the post surgeon pronounced him entirely out of danger.

This exploit made the young soldier so popular that it was a common thing to hear an officer ask another: "How is Freebold, does he seem to get any better," and the like. The day he left the hospital he was met by his friends and borne to the quarters on the shoulders of two stalwart men. The colonel sent for him and thanked him as he said "from the bottom of his heart" for saving his daughter's life, and offered to promote him to a sergeantcy, but Freebold "very respectfully declined" it. When the officers saw him for the first time after leaving the hospital, they universally shook his hand, with one exception. Lieutenant Shays shunned him. He was there when Freebold jumped into the water to save Miss Mason.

Freebold saw that his time had come. So, after almost stunning Captain Palmer by taking to him an application to be permitted to take the preliminary examination for a commission, giving the history of his life as required by the regulations, and receiving a favorable endorsement, he completely knocked the colonel out when it reached him. He sent for him at once:

"And you mean to say that you graduated from the —— Military College in France and was with Colonel Bazain in Africa?" asked the colonel.

"Yes sir," was the reply.

"Well, how's come you enlisted without the authorities finding that out? Not fraudulent enlistment I hope?"

"No, sir; the recruiting officer asked if I had ever been in any foreign service, and I hadn't. I paid my expense at the college and was Colonel Bazain's guest in Africa. I was not in the French service, and although I was wounded it was done while protecting the colonel."

"Very well, sir," said the colonel, "I shall give your application a favorable endorsement. That's all;" and thus summarily dismissed, Freebold left the room.

Any one that knew Freebold as I knew him might have well known that he was not thoroughly prepared, so he could not understand the apparent uneasiness of the captain in trying to impress upon them the necessity of so much hard study to enable him to overcome the prejudices that would be likely to creep into an examination given to a colored boy by white officers. He banished his captain's fears as best he could by assuring him that he was thoroughly prepared.

The day of examination came, and in spite of everything that we might expect, "the desire to find a flaw" and so forth, he passed successfully with an average of ninety-nine per cent. This was a surprise, of course, to every one but Freebold. He knew his abilities too well to let anything like that surprise him.

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JOSEPHINE T. WASHINGTON

Writes of Tuskegee's Commencement Week—A Splendid Occasion.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Tuskegee Institute has celebrated its fourteenth commencement. As usual, a vast crowd was present. In the words of Frederick Douglass, descriptive of a similar occasion at Tuskegee, there were "miles of people and acres of mules."

The graduates numbered twenty-seven. The young women were attired in simple, inexpensive white dresses made by their own hands. The orations all had the true Tuskegeean stamp. In every sentence uttered breathed the spirit of putting into practice the things learned, of applying education, of helping others even as these young people have them selves been helped. Among the subjects discussed were such themes as The Way Out of Poverty, "What the Home Should be," "the Mission of Educated Negro Women," "Reforms for Southern Farmers," and "Applied Education.

Mr. S. Laing Williams, of Chicago, delivered the annual address, speaking on the "New Education. The Negro was advised to remain in the South where are his best business opportunties, to pin his hopes for the solution of the problem to education in its broadest sense of development of head and heart and hand, and to devote his energies to working out his salvation along this line. Among the visitors of prominence was the State Superintendent of education, who expressed himself as enjoying the exercises "beyond the power of language to express." All day long the crowd thronged the buildings and grounds of the institution, learning their lessons as surely as did any of the pupils to whose recitations they listened. Especially interesting to most of the visitors was the industrial exhibit where products of the farm and the shop were ranged in attractive order. The day closed with a reception to the graduates, at which were present the orator of the day, the teachers and the Alumni of the school, and many visitors.

Commencement day proper, though an important feature of commencement week, is not the only one of interest. The exercises really continued through a whole week, beginning with the joint public meeting of the literary societies, followed by the public rhetoricals, the union entertainment of the religious organizations, the closing of the training school, the graduating exercises of the Bible School, the industrial exhibition, and the commencement sermon. Tuskegee had the distinction this year of having the commencement sermon preached by Dr. E. Winchester Donald, the successor of Philips Brooks as pastor of Trinity church, Boston.

The graduating class of the Bible School numbered five, four of them men with an average age of forty years and pastors of large churches in town. Members of these congregations come out in large numbers to see their minister receive diplomas. The following subjects among those discussed will give some idea of the practical nature of the themes: The Value of a Well informed Ministry, The Duty of the Minister to his church and to his community, and Why Colored Young Men Should Enter the Ministry. Of the five graduated there were three Methodists and two Baptists. Other denominations represented in the school are Presbyterian, Congregationalists, and Christian.

The exhibition given by the industrial department was the first of its kind in the history of the school, in previous years the certificates to those who had served a satisfactory apprenticeship having been awarded on commencement day. Samples of industrial work were arranged on the stage. Papers were read on topics connected with the industries and various features of such work were illustrated. Girls showed how to clean a lamp, how to cut and fit a dress, to make bread, to iron a shirt; boys illustrated brick-house-building, wheel-wrighting, brick laying, mattress-making, shoe-making, ironing a buggy, etc. Thirty-nine certificates were awarded to representatives from fourteen trades. Sixteen of the number receiving these certificates have completed also the literary course and will go out into the world to practice some form of the knowledge they have gained here. The others will continue their studies, being greatly helped in their efforts of self-support by what they will be able to earn at their trades, working on Saturdays and on the regular workday which comes once a week for every student in the school.

The growth of Tuskegee Institute has been marvelous. Starting in 1881 with one teacher and thirty pupils in a log church and two shanties loaned for the purpose, without a penny save the $3,000 donated by the state for salaries, it numbers now 1,025 persons, including 809 pupils in the Normal School, 150 in the Model School, 66 in teachers and superintendents. It owns 2,000 acres of land and has about forty buildings, either finished or in course of construction. Twenty-five industries are taught, and nearly everything used by the school is made or raised on the grounds.

Of course, the expense of such a vast undertaking is enormous. The fixed income of the school amounting to not more than $10,000, a large sum must be secured by private subscription, and every year much time and energy are expended in the effort to raise the needed amount. Students meet their own expenses, save that of tuition which is fifty dollars annually for each individual.

An endowment fund is considered the great need of the institution. Tuskegee believes, however, that as long as she proves true to her mission friends will be found willing to extend their aid. For a long time a pressing want was a new chapel large enough to comfortably seat the whole school. A few days ago our hearts were gladdened by word from over the sea that one who does not wish her name mentioned will give ten or twelve thousand dollars for the construction of such a building.

JOSEPHINE T. WASHINGTON.

Tuskegee, Ala., June 1, '94.

Flowers Strewn.

Carrier Mills, Ill., Special.

The soldiers and relatives met at the Mt. Zion Cemetery early as 10 o'clock Decoration Day. Services were conducted by comrades Jeff. and Edward Toborn, assisted by Mmes. Makaly, Cole, Leithy, Toborn and Allen. The dead are Peter Mitchel, Peter Black well, Asberry Allen and J. Chavis. The graves were decorated and all returned home.

High Noon Wedding.

St. Charles, Mo., Special.

The high noon wedding of Miss Lucy A. Keen, of St. Charles, Mo., to Isaac Welsh, of Warrenton, Mo., took place here at 12 m. on the 23, ult. A fine reception was given at the residence of the bride. Miss Lucy's parents spared no pains to make their daughter's wedding very fine. The bride and groom received many valuable presents. Mr. Welsh, the groom, took his bride to his newly prepared $1,000 house in Warrenton. The bride also had a $2,000 home in St Charles.

The June number of the sprightly quarterly, tales from Town Topics, appears in a new and specially designed modern art cover, and presents as its leading feature a brilliant metropolitan story, entitled, "A Very Remarkable Girl." Cynthia Platte, the remarkable girl" in question, is bright, cynical, observant and wholly independent of the conventional trammels that bother those who surround her. There are other characters equally fascinating. No more interesting companion than "A Very Remarkable Girl" could well be found for an idle summer afternoon. Short stories, sketches and verses make up the remainder of the book Town Topics Publishing Company, 208 Fifth Ave., New York.

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Hot Springs, Ark., the Carlsbad of America.

On Feb. 17th the Iron Mountain railway put into service a new special train to Hot Springs. It will leave St. Louis Union Station at 8:30 p. m. daily, arriving at Hot Springs 12:30 the next noon. This train will be handsomely equipped with coaches, free reclining chair cars and Pullman sleepers. Hot Springs is constantly growing in popularity as a sanitarium for invalids, on account of the extraordinary curative properties of its waters, and also, as a fashionable winter resort, by reason of its delightful climate, beautiful scenery and excellent hotel accommodations. Descriptive pamphlets mailed free on application to Coke Alexander, District Passanger Agent, Jackson Place, Indianapolis, Ind.

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Dec. 27, 1893.

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Nov. 21, 1893.

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CHAPTER II.

I walked back to Uncle Tom Taylor's where I stayed all night and the next morning that good old soul took me "over the river" to Cedar Hill to an Uncle Joe Jarvis.

"Here is yer new teacher, brother Joe; take good keer of him." And Uncle Tom prepared to return home. I gave the old man a few dollars, shook his hand and bade him good-bye. "Brother Joe," as he called "mine host," was not very friendly. He was a more matter-of-fact business man. His actions later on made me conclude, that in the language of the street, some dishonest teacher at some past date had "pulled his leg."

"How much er month kin yer pay fer board, and how many month's board kin yer pay down now?" he asked after he had looked me over several times from head to foot with an eye of doubt and distrust.

I did not like his questions and answered him a little short: "I have not taken the school yet; if I do, and board HERE I will pay as much as any previous teacher, likewise as much in advance. Can you let me have a horse and wagon, Mr. Jarvis, to go see the school trustees?"

"I'm sorry, but both of my horses is done gone ter town to K—— with corn, an' I don't know no horse about here jess now—this time of year that you kin git fur love er money; but Mr. Dozier lives in the neighborhood—only four miles from here—you might walk; I'll show you how to go."

I concluded it was best to see Mr. Dozier at once, as he seemed to be the only person who had the "giving out" of the school. I received directions how to go and started and walked the longest seven miles in the world by any known standard measure. I was informed by his good lady that "Mr. Dozier are not to home. He have went to town and woun't be home till candle light."

One-fourth discouraged, one-half angry, and in the whole as hungry as ten bears, I walked back to my prospective boarding house and spent the rest of the day in sober reflection, retired early and arose refreshed. After breakfast I started again for Mr. Dozier's "Walking was good," as the road was very dry and a few clouds hid the sun so it was not too warm. Birds sang sweetly, rabbits ran playfully across the road, squirrels in playful glee jumped from tree to tree, and all nature looked gay. Many objects of interest to a city lad met my eye, making it a pleasant journey so that before I knew it I was standing before Mr. Dozier's gate. Two dogs as large as a half grown calf, that I did not have the pleasure of meeting the day before, like the historic warriors of old held the pass, until a colored servant came down the lane and drove them away and informed me they were as harmless as lambs. Trustee Dozier met me at the door:

"Oh yes; you are the young man to take charge of the Cedar Hill school. Lee is your name I believe? The superintendent was over here last night and left your certificate," and he handed me a roll as large as sheet of foolscap. I opened it and learned that one,

"Charles S. Lee having passed a satisfactory examination before me, (in here several branches were enumerated) he is hereby permitted to teach in the public schools of Backwoods county, N. C, this the 27th day of September 1888

JOHN R. BRITT,
County Supt. of Schools."

"When are you going to open school, Charles?" asked Trustee Dozier.

As I had not recieved any formal or positive proofs that I was to have the school I was at first at a loss what to say. I soon reasoned that from the way the question was put the school was mine, so I answered in a firm voice,

"I shall open Monday morning at 9 o'clock, sir."

"Yes—well then I will give you the key of the school house and the roll-book. I left the articles of agreement over at Dr. Brown's for him to sign, as he is chairman of the board. Any time you are over that way run in and sign them and keep a copy—no hurry. He lives the next house from me on the other road about a mile and a half from here."

We were on the piazza, he sitting and I standing, leaning against a post, anxious to return to my boarding house a full-fledged school teacher. Stepping in the hall, Trustee Dozier called out, "Susie, look up-stairs in my desk and bring me the key and roll-book of the Cedar Hill school."

Susie soon appeared with a ledger-shaped book tied up in a very dirty piece of old water proof cloth, and a large brass key with a piece of very black twine attached, the twine in turn being pushed through a half corn cob. I put the key and corn cob in my pocket, placed the book under my arm and started to go, but Trustee Dozier seemed inclined to talk.

"Suppose you have been to school a heap, Charles?" he asked.

"Well, yes sir, Mr. Dozier, I have enjoyed some rare opportunities to learn; I can't say that I have always improved them."

"Are you a graduate?"

"Yes sir."

"From that big colored folks' college of ours in Raleigh? I forget its name."

"No sir."

"From Fisk's University in Tennessee or Howard's in Washington? We had teachers from both of them schools."

"No sir."

"Oh, then, you come from the Hampton college in Virginia?"

"No sir."

As Trustee Dozier's list of Afro-American High schools had given out, he looked at me in surprise. As if to ask, well, from where did you come, after waiting for me to speak for several minutes he did ask:

"Where did you say you graduated from?"

"The —— Normal and High school of Massachusetts."

"The—B—Normal—and—High—school—of—Massachusetts?" He repeated with much surprise. "Why you are not a yankee are you?"

"I think not a full-blooded one, as I was born in this state in K —— and my mother before me in the next county to this one."

"Well then, how in the world did you come to go away out yonder North to school when we have the best school in the world for both white and black right here in our own state?"

"Well, Mr. Dozier, my aunt who lives in Boston sent for me and helped to pay my way at school."

"Oh, I see now, Charles, I understand. How long has your aunt been up North—in Boston Charles?"

"All her life, Mr. Dozier."

"Why, how's that; I don't understand; you said you were born here in North Carolina and your mother too?" said Trustee Dozier with a puzzled expression upon his brow.

"Well, you see, Mr. Dozier, my Aunt Emma is my father's sister. My father and all his people for three or four generations were born in or near Boston. He was a member of the 54th Mass. colored troops, came South after the close of the war, settled in K —— and met and married my mother."

"What in the world made her marry him? I don't see how any woman, white or black, who was born in the South, could marry a Northern man," remarked Trustee Dozier half to himself.

"I don't know what made her marry him, but the happy way they have always lived together since I can remember makes me think, Mr. Dozier, that what made her marry him was love," I replied with some warmth and feeling.

"Well, it's no matter in this case; you are a native of North Carolina and so is your mother. The reason why I say this is that I don't like to give a school to a—a foreigner from another state, not even from Virginia, that's all,

I was getting just a little bit tired of the trustee's company and turned to go when he fired another question at me.

"Can you work the double Rule of Three and al-ge-bray?"

Having just passed a civil service examination he began to make me have that tired feeling. I informed him, however, that I had worked all of "them air things."

"Well, you don't say!" I started again to go and he walked with me to the road gate.

"Now Charles, you have a nice school house—yes the best school house—white or black in the county; why, we just put in a new stove two years ago. There may be one or two window lights out, but that's all; still, let me know if it needs any other little repairs. Good morning."

I returned the parting and started toward my boarding house with a heart full of joy. When half a mile down the road, I exclaimed aloud: "Charles Sumner Lee of K ——, North Carolinia! you are a school teacher at last." I had the good fortune to be taken up by a passing cart, which carried me to old gentleman Jarvis' door, where I arrived just in time for dinner. After dinner I engaged board for the season, paid three months in advance, and moved in my room.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

HOW EDUCATION

Conduces to Happiness—Wealth Not Always the Open Sesame.

The word education can be traced back to its simplest form. It comes from the latin verb, duco, meaning I lead or draw, and the prefix e, meaning forth or out. Education means, therefore, to draw out the faculties of the mind. For any one to enjoy the greatest pleasure of happiness, he must have a certain portion of education. J. J. Ingalls says: "A beggar may be happier in his rags, than a king in his purple." Poverty is no more incompatible with happiness than wealth. The man who is unhappy when he is poor would be unhappy if he was rich, and he who would be happy in a palace in Paris would be happy in a dug-out on the Ouachitta river." T. V. Powderly says: "To be really happy we should be educated, refined, and healthy." Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher says: "We speak of what we have seen and testify only to what we have known and tried. In both conditions we have been a very happy woman, yet never more so than when in a small house on $300 a year, we did all our work and tried to aid the income by taking boarders and sewing—so happy that it would not cost us one sigh to go back to it."

Will Carleton says, 1st: "Having the golden rule in every hall of the temple of the heart, and through its influence get communication with the divine harmonies of the unseen world" Second, "Study, the body thoroughly and see that every organ is given opportunity to work free and untrammelled, as nature intended." Third, "Keep close watch of your finance, and hold the expenses away inside the income, however small." Fourth, "Read as much as you can each day from the best masters of language and thought. Fifth, "Take a genuine interest in your occupation, and give it your best attention, no matter how humble it may be." Sixth, "Be as tidy and presentable as you can." Goldwin Smith says: "I do not believe that the joys of a millionaire can be anything alike in proportion to his wealth, unless he has the soul to find happiness in doing good." Oliver Otis Howard says: "Phillips Brooks so showed the possibility of a man's being impregnated with the divine spirit as to fill him at all times with a bright hope and a reasonable heart. This is what our Lord meant when He advised us to "Seek, first the kingdom of heaven, which is indeed intrinsic and full of joy."

James Cardinal Gipon says: "As far as human happiness is attainable in this life, the means in my judgement, 'to be happy, though poor,' is furnished by the sermon of Christ on the Mount" Joseph Cook says: "'How to be happy though poor?' Ask Burns and Carlisle in their earliest career." Ask Benjamin Franklin and Abraham Lincoln when boys; ask Jean Paul Richter and Schiller; ask Diogenese and Socrates; ask Covenantes, Puritans, Pilgrims and the whole past of blessed martyrs, apostles and prophets; ask Him who had not where to lay His head, but whose pierced right hand has lifted heathenism off its hinges and turned the dolorous and accursed ages into new channels.

G. T. LASTER,
Buena Vista, Ark.

The Negro Should Stay Where he is.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Please allow me space enough in your paper to answer Dr. C.S. Smith's proposition. I noticed in one of your issues recently that one of the Nashville physicians who goes by the above name wishes that a commission of five persons be selected to visit Liberia, and report upon the desirability of the country as a point for American Negroes to emigrate to is worthy of consideration. I have only a few words to say. The Negro was brought to this country many years ago and served in slavery about two hundred and forty-six years, and after the chains of bondage were broken and the thirteenth and fourteenth amendment were passed, giving them legal right to all of the affairs of his country. They have purchased homes, educated themselves, made lawyers, doctors, teachers and are holding several good positions. The Negro has made America what it is. They are citizens of this country and have no right to depart and go to Liberia, Africa or any other sea port.

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LOST RELATIVES.

DO YOU KNOW THEM?

I would like to find my people. I was born near Hampton, Va. Owned by Lewis Davis. He had a brother named Robert Allen Davis. My mother's name was Patsy Reed, her husband was Bob Reed. I have two sisters some where, Becky and Caroline. I have one sister living in Virginia, her address is Sallie Curtis Hampton, Va. When I left my native home I was about nine and a half years old. A man bought me named Goodbah. He took me to Norfolk, Va., and put me in jail at night. He then took me to Richmond, Va., and sold me to Silas McHunder who sold me to Roberson in Mobile, Ala. He sold me to Judge Perkins in La. My two brothers were John and Frederick. John married a lady by the name of Jennie Payne. I married Harry Mead in Louisiana. He came from or near Petersburg. Va. Had daughter's Mary Liza Mead and Henrietta Mead Their mother was named Rosa Mead. Harry Mead was killed in Texas by a mob. Rosa and Millie were Harry's sisters. I would like also to know the whereabouts of Thomas Gatewood His mother was named Lucy Barber. They belong to Amstead Brooker on Hack river, four miles from Hampton, Va. If any one can give any information, please address Lucy Mead, or her son Sandy Anderson, Mineola Wood Co., Texas.

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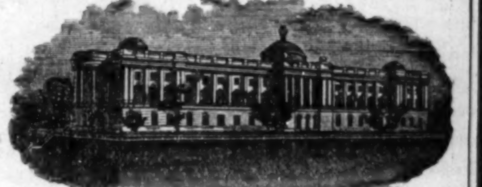

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SATURDAY, JUNE 15, 1895.

IN WHOSE SERVICE, CHRIST OR THE DEVIL?

Liberty, liberty, what crimes are committed in thy name, shouted Madam Roland on her way to the guillotine, and in the light of certain inclinations on the part of zealous "church folks," of this fin de seicle Christian age, to resort to all sorts of untoward "schemes" for "the benefit of the church," we may well exclaim in spirit, with the fair victim of the bloody three Marat, Danton and Robespiere: Religion, religion, what crimes are committed in thy name! A few days since the attention of one of our white exchanges was called to the unusual antics of certain lady (?) members of a church, located in a Long Island village, who pledged themselves to raise money by manual labor to re-pew their house of worship. About seventy-five sallied forth and soon succeeded in being "hired," some as shoe blacks, others as wash women, some as seamtresses, others as pushers of lawn mowers, several as hawkers of ice cream up and down the streets of the village, all in the name of the meek and lowly Nazarene. Our exchange, the New York Morning Advertiser commenting upon the spectacle said:

No doubt these good women firmly believe they are promoting the cause of religion. They are not. On the contrary, they are doing just the reverse. The sincerity of their motives is not open to question, but when they resort to such methods to raise church funds they simply proclaim to the world that the cause of Christianity is at such low ebb, at such a disgraceful discount in their community, that it can only be saved at the expense of what ordinarily would be regarded as the degradation of women, If such is the case, this village is in need of Christian missionaries rather than new pews.

In need of Christian missionaries, we should say, sadly in need of them, and a re-inforcement of their bump of good sense, and the eternal fitness of things. It argues not that the misfit Christian (?) in this one case were members of the other race and "sisters" in a caucasian house of God, the excuse for their far fetched conception of what constitutes healthy Christian zeal is proportionately more difficult to justify. All of which reminds us, we would be lacking in duty to the race as a reviewer did we remain silent, in the face of the growing misdemeanors, as we rate them, of Negro churches and members in the same coarse, and unchristian-like direction. It is not getting to be, it is, in thousands of cases of almost daily happening, nothing less than a disgrace, and an open door to all sorts and degrees of evils, these methods resorted to almost universally, by officers and members of our different church denominations to secure revenue for their "benefit." We have in our mind a saying, which we shall not attempt to quote verbatim, but will content ourselves, for the purpose of illustration, to convey the sense; viz: as well fellowship with the devil and be done with it, being satisfied, as sip his broth, which reflection, common sense must subscribe to. Churches, buildings, used for the purpose of the worship of God, stripped of their spiritual halo, are affairs of brick, stone, mortar and wood, attended with more or less expense, which the officers, members, and friends of, are in duty bound, and should by right provide for, in such manner, and through such channels as good sense and a severe, uncompromising regard for the Christian proprieties could not be deterred from indorsing. It is not an unusual spectacle however, for the thoroughfares of our towns,including those shady localities, insepparable from city life, where the devotees of dissolution and vice, most do congregate, to fairly swarm with the "agents" and "solicitors" for the church, mainly girls of susceptible years, or honorable matrons, trusted wives and doting mothers, who in their zeal for the "benefit of the church," are compelled to face with, a forced equinimity, conditions, insults, and frequently temptations, for human nature has its limitations, that for no other purpose, would it be asked,or expected of them to do. The "punch ticket" the "begging book," the "lottery" scheme, the system of "premiums" and "prizes" for the largest number of tickets sold, the periodical "fairs," with their special features of "living pictures," and similiar winkedjat,music hall nastiness parading itself in the cloak of the church, and unholy assumption, in the name of Christ, are directly enrapport with the prince of darkness, and entirely unworthy the countenance and employment of the Christian church and her realy pious supporters. The mountebank in the pulpit, the sensational caterer to the coarse and vicious appetites of his parishioners is fast crowding the devoted and sincere preacher of the gospel of Jesus Christ—pure and simple—to the wall, until to-day it has become to be, unless a minister of Christ unites with his holy calling, the gift and inclination, to turn his church into a sort of religious play house, or "joint" for the purpose of rendering the "spectacular," or nightly "concerts" that partake more of the minstrel cult than sacred, he is voted a bore, a back number, and as quickly as possible is gotten rid of. This is a most deplorable condition of things, true in the main of the great majority of our church societies of whatever persuasion, the reason for which is plain and near at hand and can be summed up in one word, EXTRAVAGANCE. The pace that kills is as remorsless of the fate of the church as of the individual and should be shunned by both alike. The Negro church out of debt is an anomaly, in debt, with a disposition to pile obligation upon obligation, the rule, the result being an existence from hand to mouth, leaving no expediant untried to keep the wolf from the door and the "paper" holder from turning them in the street. Is it any wonder then that spirituality is gradually vanishing from the councils and aims of the church, while the fiends of avarice, and unscrupulous necessity are rapidly taking its place?

RACE NINCOMPOOPS.

There are some colored people who take special delight in criticising colored papers. They belong to a class of nincompoops that sees nothing good in the efforts of others. They are too dull to know that it has required centuries for the white press, which is backed by wealth, culture and refinment, to reach its present degree of excellence. Their skulls are too thick for the idea to penetrate that every avenue, every means of securing news, is exclusively in the hands of the white press and that the white papers are supported by paying subscribers and helped by liberal advertisers.—Leavenworth Herald.

Nincompoops and to it add deadbeats and there your are, face to face with the animal, who, after all, is generally more laughable than hateful, as sized up with such perspicuity by Mr. Bruce. It is richly amusing to hear one of these fellows, generally a big "nigger" in the church or the secret societies rail forth on the insufficiency of race journals, but it is also tiresome, especially when the "varmint" is known at "headquarters" as the fellow who sent in three columns of hog-wash on nothing—himself, and swore to wreck the paper because the circulating editor timidly suggested that he place his order for a number of copies to contain his muddy effusion. Nincompoops! Good name, pass the cuss around and gibbet him on sight.

RECENT COMPLIMENTS.

BUCKHORN, LA., MAY 31, '95.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—Dear Sir please continue your most valuable journal to me; as misfortune happened to me in paying you. I will send you the money in the next six months. Send it please, I can't do without it. I will remain yours truly,

W. P. ODOM.

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BIRMINGHAM, ALA., JUNE 3, '95.

EDITOR FREEMAN;—On returning home from a short trip in the country I found your communication, hoping you will pardon delay, as I was not at home. I must say that I would not be without The Freeman for any reason. I feel that I cannot say too much for your paper, as it stands head, in my judgement of all the colored papers I have read. JARED WHITE.

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NASHVILLE, TENN., JUNE 5, '95.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—You will find enclosed $1 for The Freeman for 1895, to February or March, I think, 1896 The Freeman is a great paper and deserves a place in every home of the Negro. I trust the subscription will reach the point desired. With best wishes I am very truly yours.

R. H. WILSON.

208 N. College Street.

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MARSHALL, TEX., JUNE 1, '95.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—You have made no mistake in numbering me with the friends of The Freeman. I take several other papers, but The Freeman excells them all and I feel that I would do an injustice to myself and family to be without your valuable paper.

J. D. WELCH

LOVE TO LOVE.

When thou shalt need me, send my soul some word;
Let but a single drift from thy life to mine
And like the Light my love to thee shall shine—
My soul soar to thee like a singing bird!
And sweeter songs than Love hath ever heard
Will I sing to thee, while I kneel and twine
With thornless roses that dear brow of thine,
My love thy shelter, by no storm-winds stirred

Yea? When thou need'st me, speak! and I shall hear,
Though oceans roll between! Some sense of thee
Shall make the light a message; I shall mark
A meaning in the darkness, and draw near;
And thou shalt know, wherever thou may'st be,
My step, and feel my warm clasp in the dark!

—FRANK L. STANTON.

THE HOUR AND THE MAN.

Passing by a discussion of the why's and wherefores, it cannot be disputed the one overshadowing question that bids fair to absorb the attention of the nation for some time to come is the money one. To it,the tariff and all other questions humanitarian and economic are destined to take lower rank, and the prognosticator who fails to observe this truth is dull and bleared of vision. Talking from a party view of observation, it seems the duty of the Republican party is clear and sharply defined, It and its leaders must prepare to courageously face the situation for a fight to a stand still, upon those lines of sagacity and wisdom, that is insepperable from its past career as contrasted with those in the main of rival political organizations Granting that the one question nearest the hearts of the Afro-American contingent of the party, that of human rights, will not be a dominant issue of the coming national struggle, more's the pity, nevertheless as loyal camp followers, and it may be intelligent ones, we can congratulate ourselves that we are marching beneath the banners, keeping step to the music of a political organization, which, while it has not been free from mistakes, has seldom been accused of cowardice, when confronted by situations, pregnant with vital import, to all the American people. On the subject of the money question there must be no doubt as to the general attitude of the party, or those of its leaders who may desire to continue to shine as such. In the song of its devotion to HONEST MONEY, there must be no false chord strumed upon, no spirit to dodge, no reticence where boldness is expected, and last, but not by any means least, no disposition to overture and coquetry with the enemy. Let the Republican party contend to-day, to-morrow and always for a dollar, which is worth a dollar to-day, will be worth one to-morrow, no more or less, every day in the year, and every year in the century, in every section of the Union and everywhere in the world; for the poor and the rich, the black man and the white, the laborer and the capitalist alike. This question of a sound currency can no more be sectionalized, abated or enlarged upon, in the interests, or the reverse, of cliques, states or monopolistic specialists, juggling for selfish, narrow ends, than was the question of slavery in the days when it was the bone of contention between differing statesmen, and the conflicting claims of rival sections. It matters not who may be selected to lead the Republican hosts at the diota of the next national gathering of the party, whether it shall be Harrison, McKinly, Reed, or some dark horse, as yet unnamed, whoever shall be the honored man, it must be known of him beforehand, unequivocally and without whisper or distrust, that in the matter of the currency question "he's all right," and is as sound as the dollar, than which nothing can be sounder, when worth a hundred cents the world over.

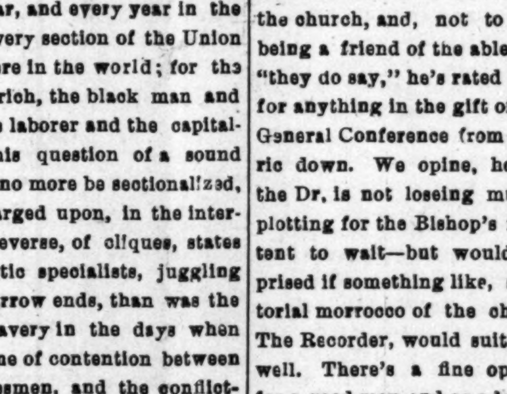
AFTER THE SCHOOL ELECTION—WHAT.

The result of the election for School Commissioners for Indianapolis was in the nature of a surprise to many. The reasons and explanations offered for the same, are various. We expect, however, in the case of Mr. Chandler, the candidate in the Fourth District, a lack of intelligent, aggressive organization had something to do with his defeat, joined to other influences, that we do not know it would serve any good end, to expatiate upon at this time. As we understand it, the colored voters of the District who opposed Mr. Chandler's election, simply bid a temporary farewell to their republicanism for the end sought, and are to-day as good Republican as ever, ready to march under the old banner against the common foe, on the occasion of the coming fall elections. There should be no soreness or bitterness surviving this School Commissioner incident, but all parties to the same, Mr. Chandler and his active friends, and those who were as active against him, should be patriotic enough, as we have no doubt they are, to get together, close ranks in solid unwavering phalanx awaiting the shock of the coming conflict in the fall. The school election was but an incident of no particular political significance, but the coming municipal battle, will be an affair of far different import, a struggle that will attract national attention, for as goes Indianapolis, so may go Indiana, as goes Indiana, so may go the presidential struggle a few months latter. CLOSE RANKS: STEADY! MARCH!

A "CHURCHMAN" OF OURS.

Dr. T. W. Henderson, D. D., the widely known and brilliant pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church, this city, has returned from his trip "down East" oscilating between "Gotham" and the city of Brotherly Love and is filled with pleasant recollections of the same. The Dr. is a towering shaft in the ranks of the great connection that for so many years has been benefited by his service and counsel, and we are not surprised at the fast chystalising sentiment, that take him for all and all, his eagle eye, and mixed gray hair thrown in for good measure, he's about the size of a General officer of the church, and, not to be modest, being a friend of the able churchman, "they do say," he's rated "good stuff" for anything in the gift of the coming General Conference from the Bishopric down. We opine, however, that the Dr. is not loseing much slumber plotting for the Bishop's robe—is content to wait—but would not be surprised if something like, say the editorial morrocco of the church organ, The Recorder, would suit him pretty well. There's a fine opening there for a good man,and as a layman on the outside we unhesitatingly record our vote, in favor of our own churchman from Indiana. The New York Age of June 6th, thus notes the recent visit of Dr. Henderson to that city, and his appearence in "Bethel" pulpit:

Rev. T. W. Henderson, D.D., pastor of Bethel Church, Indianapolis, Ind., preached at the morning and evening services. He also preached the Sabbath before and during these two Sundays received forty-five persons into church membership. It has been years since Bethel has manifested so much religious feeling and witnessed such evidence of power of the plain, simple Gospel. Dr. T. W. Henderson stated in his first sermon delivered that each sermon delivered by a preacher should be attended by manifest results as well as to produce good in after days. During his service of two Sabbaths two hundred and twenty-three arose, requesting the prayers of the church. He leaves the city this week to return to his charge in the West. During eighteen months as pastor of Indianapolis he has received six hundred and sixty-three persons into church and remodelled the building at a cost of about $21,000.



REV. T. W. HENDERSON, D. D.

Pastor of Bethel A. M. E. Church, Indianapolis, Ind., extensively suggested as Editor of the Christian Recorder, subject to the action of the approaching General Conference.

PERIODICALS LITERATURE ETC.

Poems by Eloize Bibb, New Orleans, La., 107 pages; paper, Monthly Review Press, Boston, Mass.; Baccalaureate Sermon, Commencement exercises Shorter University, Arkadelphia, Ark., June 2nd; Pamphlet form, have found their way to our study table.

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PRESIDENT J. M. CONNER, the gentleman whose countenance adorns the first page, of this issue is one of the MEN of the SOUTH. The business of his life is that, comprehended in the appelation a Blazer Of The Way, a voice strong and lusty, crying in the wilderness of his race's travail from the valley to the heights, where at last shall come repose.

GLOSTER exulting over his conquest of Queen Annie is made to exclaim: "Shine out bright sun that I may have a glass to view my shadow as I pass!" By this time we apprehend the "Washingtonians" are beginning to realize, per the weekly installments of Mr. Thompson's superb VIEW, that if never before they are afforded a glass in which to see their shadow as they pass.

HON. GEO. L. KNOX, proprietor and publisher of THE FREEMAN will be a delegate from Indiana to the coming meeting of the National Lincoln League to convene in Cleveland, Ohio. We are reminded further to observe the race will be represented at that gathering by a host of distinguished men from every section of the country and we feel to predict they will make a good showing for themselves.

THE Negro's course from henceforth is clear, he has to simply contain himself in patience, and by surrounding himself, with such handmaidens as Thrift, Sobriety, Integrity and Discretion await the sure result. He must come to his own, must take his place provided by law and sanctioned by the higher instincts of human nature accorded to American citizenship regardless of present or past proscription. His enemies of whatever ilk will be unable to stay his forward course, his only apprehension will be of himself, and HIMSELF he must watch.

TRUTH is stranger than fiction, as note, William R. Green, age twenty, son of Senator John P. Green, of Ohio, was the youngest of a class of one hundred and sixty-nine law students,the eldest being an ex-Ohio Congressman Dennis Donovan,age seventy Thus we have the antipodes of condition and opportunity, clasping hands, and consecrated to one common aim in life, at once a rebuke to the pessimist who bemoans the race's stultified opportunities, and an encouragement to the optomist, who looks beyond the cloud, to soothe his vision with its silver lining.

A Great Camp Meeting.

Morgantown, W. Va., Special.

Wm. Drue, of Uniontown, Pa., was here as a witness in a divorce case. Ralph Harris returned home Saturday. Charley Johnson is visiting friends in Wheeling. The children's day exercises at Bethel A. M. E. church Sunday was well attended and the choir of the M. E. church furnished the music. The collection was liberal and the pastor, Rev. Eli McKnight, made a grand address on the A. M. E. church and its various institutions in the different parts of the country. Remember the emancipation proclamation will be celebrated here and some of the leading orators of the day will be present. Read The Freeman for full particulars. A. J. Young is employed as inside porter at Hotel Peabody. Prof. C. A. Bigger is the first colored man to make application at the June term of the county court for license to be examined and practice law, which was granted him. The Professor is a self-made man and has worked hard to procure what he now posess. Albert Atkins is home visiting friends. A. G. Smith spent a few hours at home Sunday. John A. Harris has had a very fine glass front placed in his tonsorial parlor on Walnut street. Rev. Eli McKnight and members of the A. M. E. church will hold a ten day camp meeting at Deckers creek, near Delslow, lasting over two Sundays, commencing June 23rd. The Freeman will be on sale each Sunday.

About People.

Lockland, O., Special.

The Church of Christ held a rally last Sunday. Rev. Campbell of Indianapolis preached three very excellent sermons. Children's Day was observed at Bethel A. M. E. church last Sunday with an elaborate program. Mrs. Smith and daughter of Cumminsville, Mrs. James Sherrow of Avondale and Mrs. King of Oxford were guests of Miss Lucy Derrickerson Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Owen Johnson and Mrs. Anderson spent Sunday in Cincinnati. Mrs. Smith of Cincinnati was the guest of Miss Ida Sharp Sunday. Jason Waugh of Avondale spent Sunday with C. Derrickerson. Mrs. Ophelia Bates spent Sunday in Walnut Hills. The May Fair at Bethel A. M. E. church closed last Saturday night.

Returned From The Schools.

Bryan, Tex., Special.

Willie Turner, Jake Smith, Horace Smith, Miss Smith and Laura Gregge, of Brazos Bottoms, have returned from Praire View State Normal. Minnie Ellis, Geraldine Wilson from Mary Allen Siminary. Rev. J. W. Rankins, Profs. Thompson and Mims attended the closing exercises at Prairie View, also Miss Ada Scott. Miss Janie Harris, of Hearne, after a pleasant stay of several days in Bryan, returned home last Tuesday morning. Prof. R. D. Agent opened his private school Monday at the Ind., Baptist church. Rev. Rankins and Miss Grant have served their connection with the Bryan Watchword and are succeeded by Rev. S. M. Holmes and Miss Mary L. Williams.

Battle of the Roses.

Texarkana, Ark., Special.

The normal school now in session at Texarkana, Ark., under the management of A. B. Crump, is well attended. The people of Texarkana were surprised on the 5th by the white people who, appearantly, had every vehicle in town beautified with flowers, while the horses, the mules, the donkeys, the sheep, the dogs and many other animals were decked in floral splendor, terminating in a battle fought with roses on Broad street in the afternoon about 6 o'clock. The most grotesque sight was that of a heavy wagon drawn by four large mules wearing pants, each leg of a different color and each mule guided by a Negro man on foot, whose costume was a drab colored cotton duster extending to his ankles.

A GRAND AFFAIR

Among The Elite of The City—Personals And Local Notes.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

Last Monday night, June 3rd, the Junior Epworth League made its debut to the public in the rendition of a contest in which the New South Publishing Co., gave a beautiful gold watch to the contestant reading the best essay, subject: "Nature, its Harmonies and Discords." There were five participants, After an anthem by the Junior choir and a short address by Rev. T. L. Ferguson a selection from Shakespeare was rendered by A. R. Wilhite. The participants were I. Z. Simms, M. W. Withers, A. R. Wilhite, E. T. Fishback and W. C. Lackey. I. N. Simms read an able paper. M. W. Withers read next. Next came the champion of the evening, according to the decision of the judges, A. R Wilhite, of Owensboro, Ky,who had a very worthy manuscript. E. T. Fishback made a great effort. Next in order came W. C. Lackey, who read one of the most excellent papers of the evening. The judges by whom the decison was handed down were Prof's. S. W. Taylor, J. C. Carter and Rev. T. L. Ferguson. Dr. W. A. Brown served as master of ceremonies. J. D. Elliott Long being ill Dr. Page acted as manager. After the rendition of the program the large audience was invited down stairs to enjoy a sumptuous spread prepared by the committee on arrangements; Misses Emma Shelton, Mattie Rogers, Estella Parker, Belle Young, Minnie Ferguson, Lizzie Mosley and Hattie Marshal composed the committee. The decorating committee were: Misses Queen V, Cannon, M. L. Parker, Fannie Bates, Sadie Jones and Sunshine Clinton. Both committees worked well and long.

In Social Realms.

Little Rock, Ark., Special.

The colored post of the G. A. R. Sons of Veterans and friends strewed flowers on the graves of their dead comrades. The schools closed this week. The Philander Smith College sent forth several, Our city schools came out behind this year, only one graduate. The Republican State League met this week with a large attendance and elected delegates to the National League in Cleveland Ohio. Rev. T. H. Jackson left for a visit to his family at Wilberforce.

MY LIFE AS I REMEMBER IT—AS SLAVE AND FREE MAN!

COMPILED, ARRANGED AND WRITTEN BY MYSELF GEORGE L. KNOX.

CHAPTER XXII.

The most serious trouble I had while in Greenfield was on account of a boy, who was working for me and a boy working in a butcher shop next door. On the night of the trouble there was an attempt made to waylay the young fellow who was working for me, but he kept so close to me on his way home that they could not get their hands upon him. Friday night I heard that they were threatening to whip him and my advice to him was that he must be careful and not be guilty of anything to bring on trouble, and then if trouble was thrust upon him, it was his duty to fight in self-defense only. His idea was to assail his enemies by throwing rocks at them. My suggestion was that the rock might miss and then they would get him. I advised him to fix up a "billy," and he did so.

In those days, it was our custom to scrub the barber shop Wednesday and Friday nights. After we had finished Friday night we received word that the enemy was laying for my boy and was going to stone him to death, having stones piled up in a corner of the fence, waiting for him to pass. We could have missed this fight by avoiding this route home, but as it seemed nothing would do but a fuss, we came to the conclusion not to postpone it any longer, but have it out, no matter what the results might be. We started home and our shop boy was walking between myself and one of the hands, and the fellow who desired to quarrel with him came up and the two began to fight; the others in the meantime commenced throwing rocks, at which I took a hand in, to the extent of warning them to stop. I told the boys they must stop throwing rocks at the boy. They said they were throwing stones at a white boy. I told them they must stop throwing stones, no difference whether it was at a white or colored boy. The battle wound up by my boy getting the best of the fight, he running one way after the skirmish was over, and the other fellow another.

About that time the city meeting held at the City Hall had just adjourned, and the news of the melee having spread throughout the crowd, many were incensed that the colored boy got the best of the fight, and a fellow by the name

GEORGE L. KNOX.

of Jobe Tindall swore that he could wipe out all of us. The county clerk, Erick Swope and a Democrat, told him that was a pretty big declaration to make and informed him that I had a great many friends here.

Forbearance had at last ceased to be a virtue with me and I told him in a manner that he understood I meant what I said, that if it was not for pity's sake, I would paralyze him. The officers in the meantime coming up, stopped further disturbance. The excitement of the hour and the general town talk having reached the ears of my wife, she started down town bringing my revolver to help me fight the battle. I met her, however, and assured her that the trouble was all over for the present. The next day. Saturday, the excitement was still unabated, the street corners being crowded with people, discussing the event of the night before, our enemies charging that we had assailed them and commenced the attack. It was very soon intimated to me that I had better leave town. All kinds of threats were made, some of my loud-mouthed enemies declaring that they would like to have a hand in running me out. I decided, however, that I was not going to leave Greenfield, that I had committed no crime, and that being my home, I was going to stay there and told them in so many words there were two things I knew I could do—I could either live there or die there, and that the first man who touched me would be a dead man. About 10 o'clock in the day, some of my friends came to me with the information that I would have trouble that night, that the people were getting together to mob me, etc. This same Tindall it seemed, was leading the rest, in his frothy declarations of what he could do and what he would like to do, and once more declaring he could whip me and all my friends, young Dr. E. B. Howard, also a Democrat, took occasion to say he could do no such thing. They had misrepresented the matter and stated we had waylaid them. This made it show up bad on our side until the facts were known, and as soon as the people generally, found they had waylaid us for the purpose of stoning us, the sentiment turned considerably.

These events happened in the month of May, and this particular day was a very pretty one. The town was filled with people from the country and it was just such a day as when a man, full of ambition and life, knowing he had committed no crime, would object to dying on. There was a picnic about three miles from town and I knew that the leader of the intended mob, Ben Rains, jr., was going to be there. He being a Kentuckian, coming from a state where it was death for a colored man to strike a white man, I felt that unless he was checked and something done to hinder him, a number of people would be killed that night. In my imagination I could see the bloody fight. I felt that it would be a bloody one, because I knew I was determined to fight if necessary for my rights, liberty and protection, and my friends were just as ardent along the same line.

The leader of the mob owned a very fine and spirited horse which was to take him and his girl to the picnic. Just before he went Joe Tindall came around the corner with the threat, that "we'll get them to night."

Filled with gloomy anticipations of the outcome of the day, not knowing whether I would be living twenty-four hours from that time, and valuing as never quite before, my rights as a citizen and freeholder and head of a family, which was very dear to me, some powerful influence drove me to utter the following prayer. The impulse to make it may have been the result of fear, of timidity, not for myself because I did not fear for myself, but for those who were dear to me, and a certain class of religious purists may claim that my prayer was an evil one, nevertheless, I asked the Lord with all the earnestness and sincerity it was possible for me to have, to do something to hinder this man. I said and I feel that the Lord heard every word that dropped from my mouth and was a willing listener to my prayer. I said: "Have his team run away, that he may break some of the bones in his body, that he will not be enabled to lead this mob to-night, if it is your will; if not, if something is not done to stay him in his mad and wicked determination, there will be many people hurt to-night." Ever since that day I have known, and all the scoffers, skeptics, etc., in the world could not convince me otherwise that the Lord does answer prayer. About two and one half hours after I had made my appeal to Jehovah, word came back to the town that this man's team, the intended leader of the mob, had run off with him, broken the buggy to pieces, broken his wrists, dislocated his shoulders and nearly killed him, thus leaving the mob without a leader, and answering my prayer as directly and effectually as the parent answers the pleading of his child. The young lady with him was unharmed, the horse also.

Closing our shop at 11 o'clock, in the meantime having been re-enforced by friends, we gathered together, armed to the teeth, and waited for the onslaught which did not come, the night passing quietly without trouble.

Dr. E. B. Howard, Joseph Baldwin, John Windsor and Oscar Thomas with others, numbering about forty, escorted us home. We were armed with all kinds of weapons—clubs, hatchets, some had knives and revolvers. The point where we were expecting to be attacked was just below the railroad in a common, near where I lived. It was about half past eleven; we could see the men slipping round about, looking to see if there were any chance to slip upon us and charge, but we were ready for the attack as one man. We knew we were safe for the present. I went home and brought in the ax and armed myself. The doors were barred, and we went upstairs where we could hear the people as they walked on the plank side-walks for three or four squares away, and often imagined they were coming to our house I said to the men who were with me and to my wife that if it was necessary, we would die together, as I had done nothing to cause the trouble.

Friday morning the report was current, which made the sentiment run higher, that this boy was badly wounded and not expected to recover. Later in the day, however, it was learned that the report was put out for the purpose of prejudicing the whole town against us. We had learned that the boy was not at home as reported, but had been sent by his employer, Capt. E. P. Thayer, down to the slaughter house and was rendering lard. This somewhat abated the excitement, but as soon as my nerves began to quiet somewhat, and I became more composed, some one would whisper in my ear, "they are preparing to mob you to-night," and then all would assume gloominess once more. In the middle of the week, the matter took a serious turn. It was said that Capt. E P. Thayer was going to take up for his boy because I had taken up for mine. He and I were personal friends and I sent him word at once that whatever I had done, growing out of the unfortunate quarrel, between the boys, was not to start trouble or to keep it going, but to defend the right and myself. All I desired was to be left alone, and my statement that the first man who touched me would die was called forth because I realized, that the time for palavering had passed. I further told Capt. Thayer that I had no desire to be in the trouble or to defend one boy more than another. I was drawn into it against my wishes entirely. I had nothing to with it. It was purely the boys' fight. As the fight had been commenced, I simply tried to separate the boys, and because the colored boy had the best of the fight, his (the white boy's) friends thought the fight must be had out. Capt. Thayer said if such was the case, if I had nothing to do with it, he wanted nothing to do with it. I told him also that the people who kept it up continually were enemies of mine, and that the fair-minded people of Greenfield had nothing against me, as they knew I was not connected willingly with the affair.

The threatening clouds gradually passed away and sometime after, one of the fellows who had intended with others to attack me, asked if I meant what I said when I declared I would kill the first man who bothered me. I told him that I certainly did and did not say so to frighten anybody, or to appear boastful, but simply because my sense of manhood compelled me to say so, knowing that I had wronged nobody and had been guilty of a commital of no crime, or imposition upon my friends, neighbors or fellow-citizens.

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Full Bishop Board Expected.

Wilberforce, Univ., Special.

Dr. T. H. Jackson has returned from Arkansas, and is recreating with his family in Wilberforce. Prof. T. D. Scott has been offered the principalship of the Xenia high school. Prof. W. E. B. DuBois left for Harvard University on the 8th. He returned on the 14th. Prof. W. H. Harvey's aunt, Mrs. A. K. Mason, of Jefferson, Estabula, is dead. Dr. J. G. Mitchell preached the Baccalaureate sermon to the Theological graduating students last Sunday at 7:30 p. m. Bishop A. Walters, D. D., of the A. M. E. Zion church, New York, preached the annual sermon to the Theological students. Final examination was held from the 11th to the 15th. The Thirty-second Annual Commencement of the Wilberforce University commenced on the 12th and continues until the 20th. All friends and lovers of education are invited. The Bishops' Council met on the 13th. Prof. B. W. Arnett is visiting his relatives at this place. Prof. H. Y. Arnett was married to Miss Sallie R. Wallace, of Columbia, S. C., on the 6th. He returned with his bride on the 8th. All of the Bishops of the A. M. E. church are expected to be present during Commencement; also other distinguished men are expected to be present. Miss H. R LeSene, of the Junior class, left for home in South Carolina, on the evening of the 10th.

LOST RELATIVES.

As near as I can remember I was with my father in 1874 in Fayette county Texas, on the Brinica farm; his name is Judarn Miller; will be glad to know his whereabouts. Mother's maiden name was Julia Mitchell the daughter of Elizabeth Nunn. Jesse Miller, Operator, Postoffice Box 203, Ft. Bayard, N. M.

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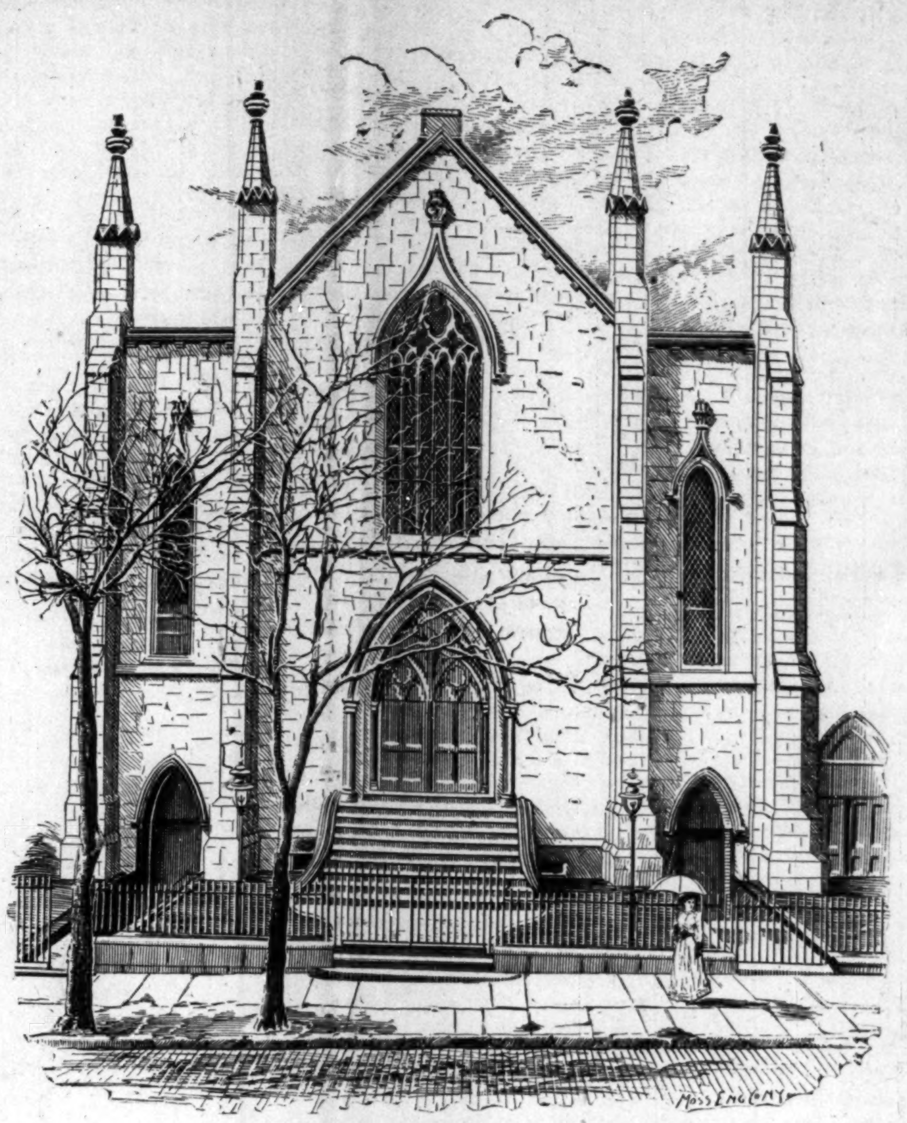

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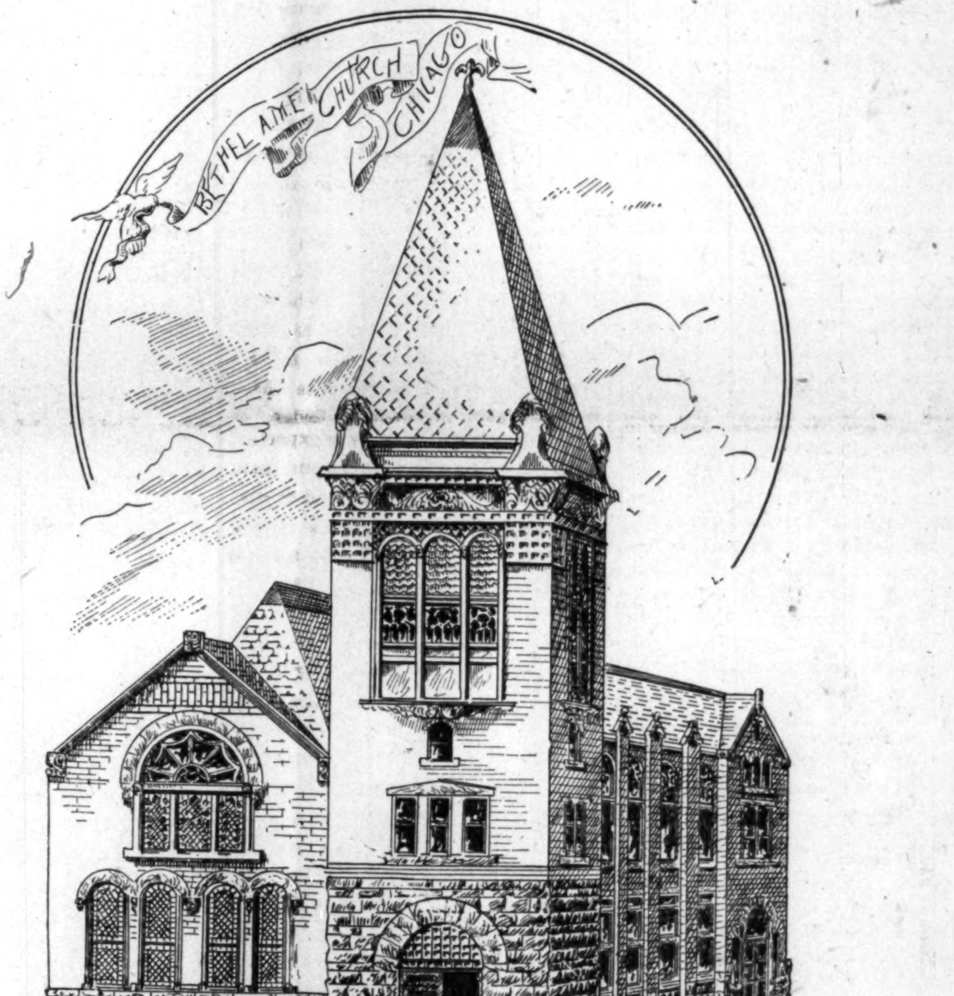

Bethel A. M. E. Church, Chicago, Ill.

Will Fill His Pulpit.

South Charleston, O., Special.

The Christian Endeavor exercises was conducted by Mr. Aaron Myers, Jr. The convert class had a good meeting Sunday. Rev. Doctor S. Moten gave us a flying visit Saturday last to attend the Theological Baccalaureate exercises in the University Chapel. Rev. Moten will preach for us Wednesday evening. Charlestonians are anticipating quite a time in their attendance and visit to the commencement of Wilberforce University, the 3rd Thursday in June, where their pastor, Rev. Moten, together with thirteen others, will graduate from three different departments of the Literary Curriculum. Rev. Webster will occupy Rev. Moten's pulpit, Shorter Chapel, next Sunday at 10:30 a. m.

Personal Flashes.

Madison, Ind., Special.

Miss Hallie Delaney left Thursday for Louisville her future home. Mr. Sanders is visiting in Gent, Ky. Ada Smith leaves next week for Kentucky to teach a summer school. Children's day was fittingly celebrated here Sunday by A. M. E. and M. E. churches. Bishop Wayman arrived here Saturday to dedicate the A. M. E. church at Hanover Sunday the 16th. Prof. F S. Delaney is visiting in Louisville, he goes from there to Jeffersonville to attend the commencement. Prof. O. E. Jones, of Elwood Place, gave a very able lecture before the Epworth League Thursday evening. Miss Page and daughter Marie, of St. Louis, are visiting in the city, guest of Mr. Ed. Shannon. Henry Burns, of Corn Creek, Ky., is visiting in the city. Rev. A. Tiller, of Second Baptist church, is visiting in Madison. Revs. Robinson and Jones are visiting in Louisville, Ky. H. F. Bray preached at Carrollton, Ky., Friday evening. Rev. John Taylor preached at North Madison Sunday afternoon and evening. Prof. F. B. Hawkins, of Louisville, Ky., is visiting in the city guest of Rev. J. W. Robinson. Rev. O. E Jones leaves for Elmwood Place, O., Tuesday accompanied by Prof. F. B. Hawkins who will visit at his home a few days.

Children's Day Exercise.

Caldwell, Tenn., Special.

John R. Dickerson and Mrs. Maggie Fry have returned to their homes at Lynnville, Tenn. The children's day exercise was a success. We had with us Prof. Byres, of Wartrace, Tenn., who will be our next pedagogue for this term. There was several essays and speeches delivered Names of those who read essays were J. M. Mullins, Walter Phillips and H. T. White, Mesdames Ella Moore and Virginia Moore read two enteresting essays. Miss Rosella Rippy, of Normanda, was the guest of Misses Laura and Maggie Wells Sunday, the 19th. Mattie Jackson is sick. Millie O'Neal and J. M. Mullins were entertained at the residence of Miss I. Elkins Sunday, the 9th.

Supper at Gosling's Hall.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

Prof. James R. Reese's father died on the 7th inst. Miss Beatrice Trail was in from her country home. She joined Misses L. S. Wilson, I. M. McKinney, Anna Thompson, Sarah Blakemore, Mesdames W. C. Cartwright, E. L. Peacock, Sarah Donmar, —— Burns, Mary Bookeens, Dr. V. D. Turner, Messrs. S. Gilliam, W. M. Cowan, Dan Blakemore, Prof. R. P. Purdy, W. H. Gosling, and many others in a jaunt of pleasure. Messrs. Dave and John Mault of Scrub Town were in the city on the 8th. The supper given by the Little Gems at Gosling's Hall on the 7th was a success. The Freeman was very much in demand on the 8th. Capt. James Stokes was in town on the 8th. The entertainment by Mesdames Sarah Blakemore and Sarah Jane Martin at her home for the benefit of the M. E. church was a grand affair. Prof. P. W. Patterson has moved to his new home; he has a very sick boy. Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store.

Some Picnics.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

There was an excursion left the wharf at 7 a. m., promptly for Dover. It was run by the clubs of the city and carried about 500 persons. Dinner was spred on the grounds and everything was served "up-to-date." Mr. Andrew Ramey and Miss Nannie Daves were married at the residence of Mrs. Carney. Rev. Wimberly officiating. Mr. Irvin Tompkins, father of mail carrier, Joe Tompkins, died at his home recently. Mrs. Watson gave an excellent picnic at McClures Spring. Addresses were delivered by Messrs. Martin Yancey, Wheeler. Miss Williams will surely be honored on the occasion. Mr. Eugene Carr and Miss Barker will unite on June 18th. Mr. Will Winn, of Hopkinsville, has arrived at Arlington and taken charge of the "turn wheel."

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Commencement Week Interestingly Observed.

An Occasion of Intellectual Brilliancy—Alumni Exercises—Hon. Isaah T. Montgomery's Address.

Commencement week at Alcorn A and M. College began Friday, May 24th, and ended Wednesday, May 29th. Examinations of classes were conducted in the presence of visitors on the 24th, 27th and 29th.

PUBLIC RHETORICAL EXERCISES.

Quite an interesting program by the Lyceum and Literary Gem societies was rendered on the evening of the 24th. Stormy weather made it next to an impossibility for a large audience to be present. A number of well prepared declamations and ably written orations were delivered. A special feature of the evening was the debate, "Resolved, That free-trade is more beneficial to the country than protection." The disputants were Wm H. Broomfield, '96, affirmative, and Casper B. Caston, '96, negative. Both debaters showed masterly skill in handling the subject, so much so that those present were in doubt as to who should wear the victor's palm.

SENIOR PREPARATORY EXHIBITION.

As a fitting admittance to college, the Senior Preps. presented a program on the evening of the 27th that compares favorably with any of its kind. The music by the college band and by the choir was excellent, and the orations were good. In addition to the Senior Prep's exercises, two industrial graduates, Alexander A. Gilmore in "Blacksmithing," and Edward Boyd in "Shoemaking," delivered their graduating orations on the subjects, "Blacksmithing" and "Dignity of Trades," respectively.

DIVINE SERVICES,

Consisting of the Sunday school anniversary, Baccalaureate sermon and the annual meeting of the Y. M. C. A. were conducted on Sunday, May 26th. Prof. A. J. Howan, superintendent of Sunday school, spared no pains to make the Sunday School Anniversary a success, and was amply repaid for his efforts, as was evidenced by the interesting papers presented by Messrs. John A. Swayze, on "How to Secure Attendance in Sunday School;" Abraham O'Neal, "Our Duty to Sunday School during Vacation;" Edward R. Carrell, "Relation of the Sunday School to the Church;" and Preston S. Bowles, "Origin and Purpose of Sunday School."

Rev. A. D. Payne, of Yazoo City, Miss., preached quite an able sermon in the College Chapel at 2:30 p. m, to a large audience, white and black. At 7:30 p. m., the Y. M. C. A. held its annual meeting. The following topics by the following persons were fully discussed: "Two Ways, which shall I Take?" John T. Clowers and A. E. Coleman; "The only Safe Leaders," Casper B. Caston and Augustus N. Miller; "Life's Greatest Question," D. W. Gray and D. W. Evans.

ALUMNI EXERCISES

Took place at 7:30 p. m., Tuesday, May 28th. Rev. A. D. Snodgrass, of Westside, Miss., handled with facility his subject, "Keep Pace with the Times." Appropriate music was rendered by the college band and by the choir. The Alumni banquet, coming after the address, was highly enjoyable.

The Twenty-fourth Annual Commencement on Wednesday morning, May 29th; soon after "sun up" the campus began to put on an air of life and vigor. Horses, buggies, carts and wagons began pouring in at the gate on the north, on the east and on the west, bringing visitors to witness the exercises of the day, and footmen were not wanting to swell the ranks. At 10 o'clock a. m., a procession composed of the President, Faculty, Alumni, graduating class and distinguished visitors marched into the beautifully decorated chapel, already comparatively full, ascended the stage, and the exercises of the day were commenced by a rousing piece of music by the college band, "Star in the East." The graduating class and their subjects were as follows: Allen Ethen Coleman, Port Gibson, Miss., "Ideal Training of the American Boy;" Daniel Webster Gary, Meyerville, Miss., "Can the Negro Succeed in the South?" Daniel Evans, Hollondale, Mass.; "The World Looks upon Us;" Augustus Nathaniel Miller, Steiner, Miss., "Distinguished Features of Great Men;" John Joel Jones, Canton, Miss, "The Negro's Hope;" John Thomas Clowers, Luxembourg, Miss., "Remedying the Hard Times;" Preston Sewell Bowles, Yokena, Miss., "What Shall the Harvest Be."

The Annual Address, a highly practical one, "The Needs of the Age," by Hon. Isaiah T. Montgomery, of Mound Bayou, Miss., was received by the audience with outbursts of applause.

Diplomas were conferred upon those who had finished the scientific course, and certificates of graduation upon those who had completed industrial courses, by Preston Calloway. Col. J. L. Power and Hon. W. G. Paxton, both members of the board of trustees of the Institution, made appropriate remarks and voiced the sentiment of the large audience present, in pronouncing this the best commencement ever witnessed by them here, and one that would not suffer by comparison with any of its kind.

Prof. H. L. Stiles, musical director, and Prof. C. H. Snodgrass, instructor of the band, are both to be congratulated upon the excellent music furnished by them. Among the distinguished visitors present were Rev. A. D. Payne, W. W. Bowles, W. B. Bingham, and A. D. Snodgrass; Hons. J. L. Power, W. G. Paxton, W. B. Murdock, I. E. Herring, J. A. Limerick and Robert Tweed, all members of the board of trustees, besides a galaxy of white and colored ladies and gentlemen whose names we did not get. Profs. A. M. Davis, of Cary, E. H. Hansberry, of Gloster, W. H. Still, of Woodville, and Dr. C. Henri Woode, of Vicksburg, Miss., were present also.

After the exercises, the evening was very pleasantly spent on the spacious campus, where refreshments were to be had in abundance

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Rev. M. M. Ponton, besides serving as pastor of this church, has served faithfully and honestly the position of principal of Shorter University, and the part he played in this dual relation to the church of his choice commensurate with the ability of the man. He is what he makes himself, a preacher and an educator of the people he serves. Having graduated in the class of '88 at Lincoln University, Chester County, Penn., he entered Yale College Sept, 1888, but finding restrictions there not in harmony with his make up, he resolved to seek a more liberal field. Later on in the same month, he knocked at the door of the School of Theology, Boston, for admission, and those ponderous doors at '92 in old Mt. Vernon, St. Beacon Hill, Boston, Mass., flew wide open to receive him in their mighty fold, and there she held him, until June 1891, she relaxed her hold upon him, and in old Tremont Temple, he resumed that which is pleasing to all students when honorably won. Though young and a bachelor, the degrees of A. B, A. M, S. T. D., and so on, does not make him a fool. He is a lamb when undisturbed, but a lion when disturbed. Let us have more such young men, and the race will grow better.

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Dr. Shaffer is one of the very best men of the race. Dr. Derrick is unique. He is among land animals what the whale is among fish. His popularity in New York, among all races, white, Hebrew, Chinese, Germans and Afro-Americans, is unbounded. Each of these great and distinguished men have appeared at Bethel and stirred the people with their burning eloquence, when the pastor invited his uncle, Rev. T. W. Henderson, D. D., of Indianapolis, Ind, to conduct the services on the last Sabbath of the conference year. Possibly there is but one other man of the church who could have successfully came in at such a time and done signal good. Indianapolis can rejoice over the possession of one of the greatest preachers of the race. Dr. T W. Henderson belongs to the type represented in the past by Revs. H. J. Young, Hiram R Revels, J. M. Williams, W. A. Dove, etc. During his visit forty-five members were received into the church and 228 sought the prayers of the church. It has been more than a decade since Bethel has been so stirred in a religious way. New York is unlike all other cities, there are few things that are new here, and there are few things that the people have not seen and heard, but the pastor of Bethel church, Indianapolis, Ind., will never be forgotten in New York or Brooklyn. The remarkable results which attended the preaching of Dr. T. W. Henderson simply proves that the gospel never grows old, and that the most powerful emotion of the human soul relates to salvation.

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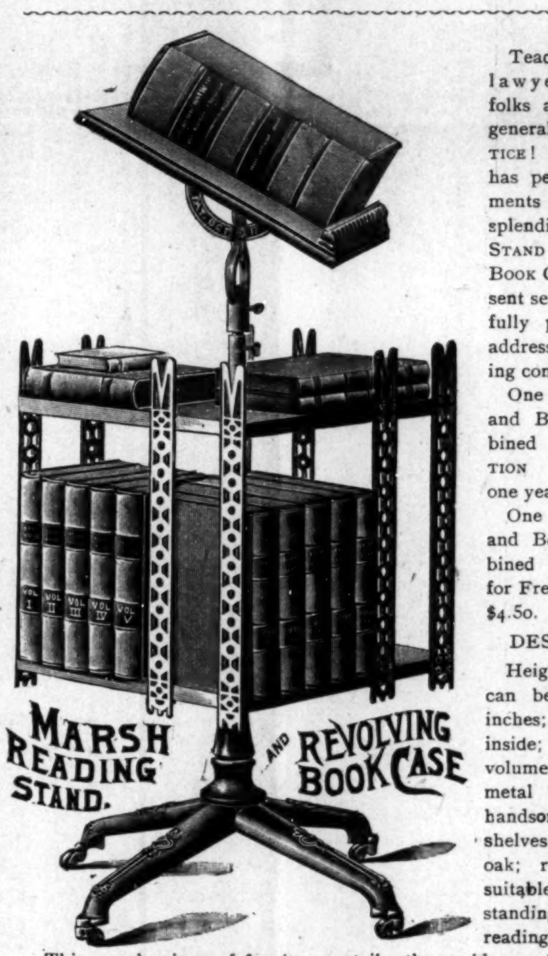

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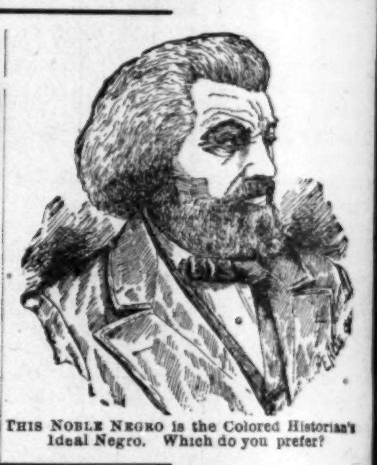

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EDITOR FREEMAN:

I was requested by one of your subscribers in this city to write a communication for your valuable paper on the prospects of building a Monument to the memory of the martyr Lovejoy. This matter has been talked over for years and nothing tangible accomplished until this year. Our City Council, at the suggestion of Mr Armstrong (an ardent admirer of the noble character Lovejoy), appointed a committee to bring the matter of appropriating the sum of $25,000 00 by the State Legislature in aid of this worthy object. The County Board of Supervisors, by a unanimous vote requested the members of the Legislature from this district to do all in their power to have the bill passed at this session. The Hon. Chas. Herb, State Senator, a resident of this city, a veteran of the late war and a true Republican, took the matter in charge, and had it passed by the Senate. The House Committee on Appropriations has recommended its passage (by the way, one member of this committee on Appropriations is a colored man from Chicago) and an earnest worker for this measure. It is to be reported by the chairman, and, if no unforeseen accident happens, it will pass at this session; and, if it does, the Governor will sign it. He is a hero worshipper, not withstanding the press of Illinois has maligned him and abused him as no Governor ever was abused. How humiliating it was to some of these papers to have to go down on their knees to ask him to veto Monopoly Bills passed by a Republican Legislature. The Governor may demand of the Lovejoy Monument Association the sacred promise that an effort shall be made to raise an additional $25000 from the press and the colored people of the nation.

Should we be so fortunate as to secure the State Appropriation, an appeal will be made to the press for a liberal donation, also to the colored people of the nation. Your valuable paper should urge your people to form Lovejoy Monument Societies and collect money for this purpose. Every State in the Union should have organizations authorized to collect funds. Certainly each State could furnish, say $400.00. At this rate, the forty States would give us $16,000. A like amount from the press; and what a monument $75,000.00 would build! The Lincoln Monument, at Springfield, was built by small contributions from all over the land, at a cost of $250,000.00. Our Cemetery Board has received a beautiful location overlooking the two mighty rivers, the Mississippi and Missouri, on an elevation of 150 feet above the level of the River, on which to build the Monument. What John, the Baptist, was to Christ, Lovejoy, the immortal, was to Lincoln. His noble example inspired the emancipator, Lovejoy laid down his life for his principles. They both condemned sin in high places, and they both paid with their lives for their fearless championship of the right. Lovejoy's tomb will be visited by men from all parts of the world. Ethiopia in the ages to come will send her philanthropists and her hero worshippers to drop a tear on the sacred soil that contains his dust. India, the home of Buddna, China, the sea will find inspirations under the shadow of the monument erected to his memory. I stood at the tomb of Napoleon and my heart and soul revolted at the thought that such a man should ever have lived to curse mankind, to bring sorrow and sadness to the hearts and homes of millions and deluge the world with blood. But when I stood by the grave of Lovejoy my heart was filled with gratitude to the Giver of all good, that such a man had been permitted to live and to be the instrument in the hands of God to accomplish so much for humanity.

The blood of the martyrs has been the seed of the church, and the blood of this martyr was the seed that soon ripened into the rich fruit of freedom not only for four million blacks, but for a free press and free speech. Let it not be said of the colored people of this nation that they lack graditude, that they do not appreciate a friend. Had such a character lived in the Middle Ages, he long ago would have been canonized and his praises would have been sung by the people of like faith. There are a few men still living in our city who remember Lovejoy. During the fifty-eight years since his death, his friends and foes had crossed the silent river. Mr. Edward Levis, Vice President of the Illinois Glass Company, lived in the next house to him, and marked his daily walk. Mr. Levis speaks of Lovejoy as no ordinary man. He was a minister of the gospel, a graduate of two colleges, a fine writer, a poet of sublime thought.

The nation should honor the memory of such a man. The annual memorial services at his grave were held this year on the 9th of June, when the scroll that marks his resting place was covered with flowers, the tribute of admirers. Delegations from a radius of 50 miles came with bands of music. An audience of from 2,000 to 3,000 was in attendance. Senator Herb was the principal speaker on this occasion. These memorial services were inaugurated some seven or eight years ago by the literary loving colored men of this city. W. H. Butler, of St, Louis, Mr. I. H Kelley, Mr, H. B, Hunter and others are the leaders in this movement. These services have been the means of arousing an interest in the monument matter. From one-third to one-half of the audience on Lovejoy Day are white people, they joining with the colored men to honor the memory of this hero.

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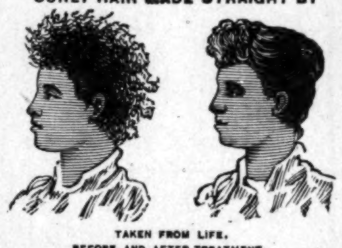

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R. A. Roberts is in Chicago.

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Zack Young was in Marion last week.

Old papers for sale at The Freeman office.

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Mrs. Leota Motts is in Spencer for the summer.

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Grand Union S. S. picnic at Bethany Park June 28th.

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Tickets are being sold in large numbers for the basket meeting.

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Everybody wishes to hear Revs. Toliver and Charley Johnson at the great Basket meeting.

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M. A. Tiester, of Crawfordsville, Ind., attended the Sunday-school convention here Wednesday.

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The I. D. & W. Railway train will leave the Union Station at 10 a. m., on the 16th for the basket meeting at Montezuma, Ind.

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Mesdames Gray and Henson and Mr. Williams of Bloomington were in the city this week attending the Sunday School Convention.

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Edward L. Carter, former agent of The Freeman in Nashville, Tenn., and his brother John were in the city last Saturday enroute to Bay City, Mich.

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Personal Mention.

Bishop Wayman was in the city this week, a guest of Rev. T. W. Henderson and wife.

Rev. T. W. Henderson is once more at his post of duty, having returned the early part of the week from his trip East.

A. V. Broady, Esq, Springfield, Ill., Clerk, stenographer and private Secretary of State Senator Littler, was a visitor to our city this week. a guest of Rev. T. W. Henderson.

Rev. J. M. Connor, S T. D., pastor Visitors' Chapel, Hot Springs, Ark., and President College of Hot Springs, passed through the city Wednesday enroute to Wilberforce University, Xenia, O. While in the city he was a guest of Hon. Geo. L. Knox and family.

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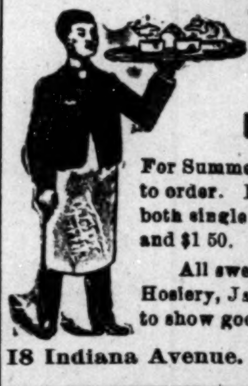

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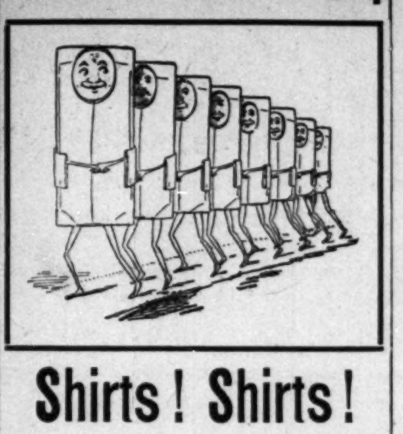

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